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O'SULLIVAN—In proud and loving memory of Lieutenant Philip J. O'Sullivan, Solicitor, D.I., R.I.C., shot in Dublin 17th December, 1920, only and dearly-loved son of Florence O'Sullivan, Solicitor, and Mrs. O'Sullivan, 76 Upper Leeson st., Dublin, aged 23 years. May he rest in peace.

O'SULLIVAN—In loving memory of my dear brother, District Inspector Philip O'Sullivan, R.I.C., who was fatally shot in Henry st. on 17th December, 1920. Requiescat in pace.—Kitty.

O'SULLIVAN—In ever-loving memory of my beloved fiancé, Lieutenant Philip J. O'Sullivan, Solicitor, D.I., R.I.C., who was killed on 17th December, 1920. R.I.P.—Alice.

BIRTHS.

COGHILL—December 6, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Coghill, Edmonton, Canada, a son.

CRAMPTON—December 11, 1923, at Ballintaggart, Coolbinstown, Co. Kildare, the wife of George J. Crampton, a son.

MacGUIGAN—December 9, 1923, at "Thurshy," Blackrock, Co. Dublin, to Mr. and Mrs. MacGuigan, a daughter.

MESSERVY—December 13, 1923, at Willsbrook, Lucan, Co. Dublin, the wife of F. G. Messervy, a son.

MARRIAGES.

ARGUE and DAVIES—December 3, 1923, at Christ Church Parish Church, by Rev. Percival Jones, Matthew Robert, eldest son of the late Henry Argue and of Mrs. Argue, Lilford House, Lilford, Co. Donegal, to Annie Rose, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David J. Davies, Vron Ucha, Chirk, Denbighshire, North Wales.

HANBIDGE and PLANT—December 11, 1923, at Donoughmore Church, by the Rev. D. O'Connor, Matthew H., son of the late Thomas and Mrs. Hanbidge, Stratford-on-Slaney, to Jane Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph and Mrs. Plant, Davidstown, Donoughmore.

GOLDEN WEDDING.

GOODALL and ALLEN—December 17, 1873, at St. Stephen's Church, Upper Mount st., Samuel, only son of Edward Goodall, of Sandymount, to Anna Osborne, only daughter of the late John Allen, Forsterstown, Trim, Co. Meath.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 8.

BURKE-GAFFNEY—At Presentation Convent, Tuam, Mother M. Columba (Josephine) Burke-Gaffney, in the 76th year of her age and 50th of her religious life. R.I.P.

DOYLE—December 15, 1923, at his residence, Main st., Baltinglass, Thomas P. Doyle, Merchant. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife, children, and large circle of friends. R.I.P. Remains were removed to St. Joseph's Church, Baltinglass, yesterday. Office and High Mass this (Monday) morning at 11 o'clock. Interment after Office in Baltinglass.

GLYNN—December 15, 1923, at her residence, Post Office, Silliorgan, Martha Glynn. Funeral this day (Monday), at 1.30 p.m., to family burial ground, Silliorgan.

HOLMES—December 15, 1923, at his residence, Carlanstown, Finea, Westmeath, James Holmes, in his 86th year. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday), leaving at 11 o'clock, for Castlepollard.

LEGG—At 83 Sloane st., Whally Range, Manchester, suddenly, Catherine, third daughter of the late Henry Legg, of Dublin.

ROBINSON—December 14, 1923, at his residence, Seagoe House, Portadown, William, dearly-beloved husband of Jane Robinson. Funeral to family burying ground, Seagoe, at 11 a.m., to-day (Monday).

SARGEANT—December 15, 1923, at Rockingham, Balkey, Elizabeth (Lizzie) Sargeant, aged 64 years. Deeply regretted. Funeral private.

WILSON—December 14, 1923, at her residence, 8 Adelaide st., Kingstown, Alice Maria, widow of the late Charles Monck Wilson, of Cahirconlish, Co. Limerick, aged 86. Funeral private.

MONTH'S MIND.

The Month's Mind of the late Canon **Estes**, P.P., will take place at St. Patrick's, Monkstown, to-morrow (Tuesday), December 18th. Office and High Mass will begin at 11 a.m. R.I.P.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Mr. and Mrs. McAuley, 7 Field's ave., Ranelagh, beg to return thanks for flowers and the many kind messages of sympathy received in their recent sorrow, and trust they will accept this as their grateful acknowledgment.

Mr. A. G. Mills, Ballynacargy, brother, and sisters, desire to thank those who kindly sent letters and telegrams of sympathy during their recent bereavement, and trust they will accept this acknowledgment.

IN MEMORIAM.

CARROLL—In loving memory of Mrs. Carroll, who died at 47 Adelaide rd. on the 17th of December, 1919. Masses offered up to-day for the repose of her soul in Gardiner st.

LEES—In loving memory of Alice Martha Lees, who died 16th December, 1922.
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To take the place of that gentle soul
Who bore the name of mother.
Inserted by her loving daughter, Alice.

LEES—In ever-loving remembrance of our dear mother, who passed away December 16, 1922. "To live in the hearts of those we love is not to die." Inserted by May.

ORR—In loving memory of our dear mother, Alice Anne, who passed away December 17th, 1920. Inserted by her daughters.

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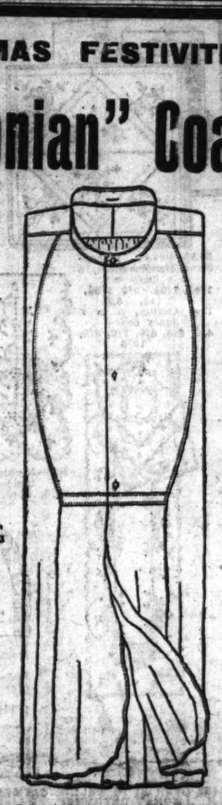

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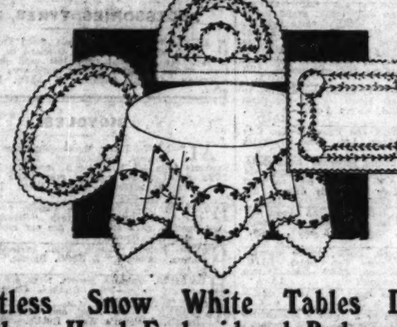

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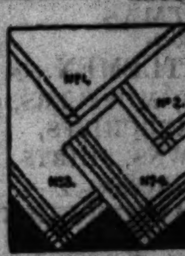
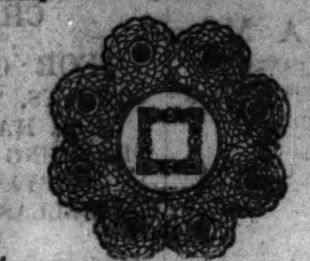

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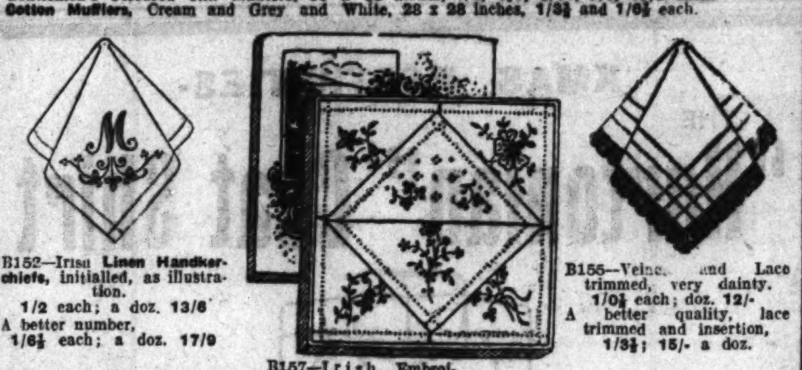

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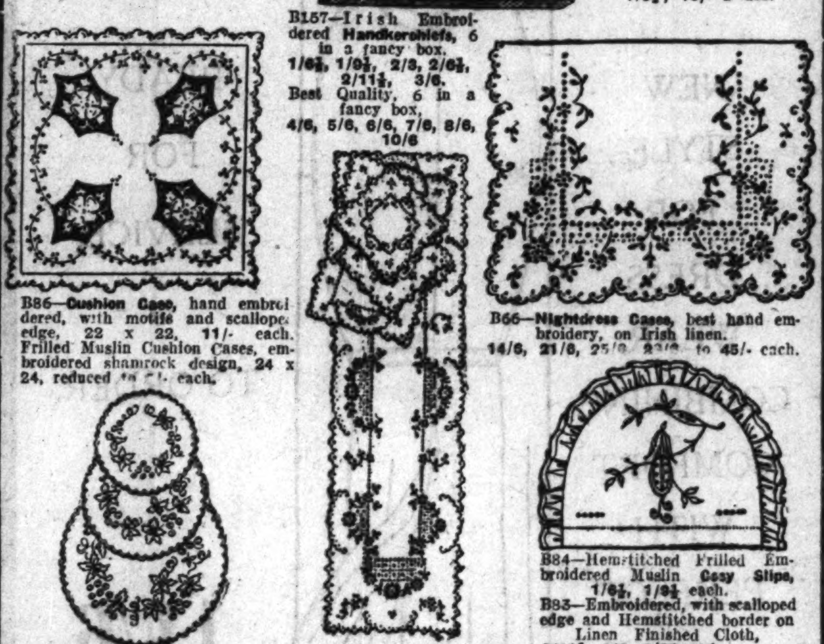

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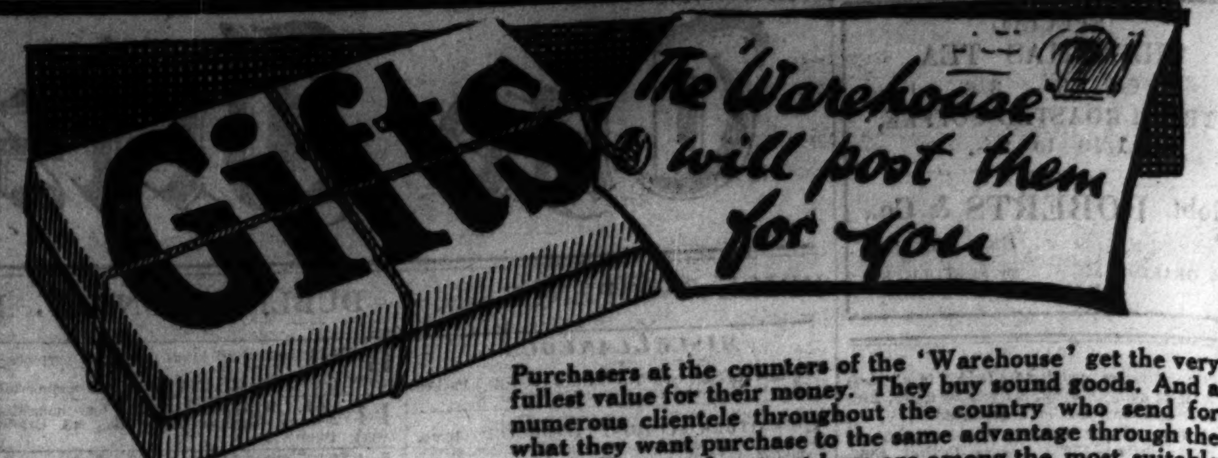

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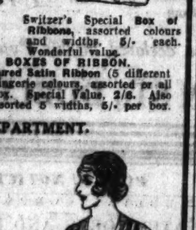

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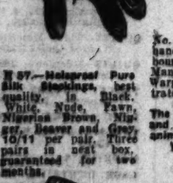

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HOCKEY.

THE LEINSTER LEAGUE.

Congratulations to Railway Union on their heading at last the League table, they winning that position on Saturday by beating Three Rock Rovers at Foxrock, this being Rovers' first defeat this season. On the previous week-end Monkstown showed that the Foxrock team was vulnerable, but Monkstown's displays are most erratic, and on Saturday they could only defeat Rosemount 2-1. Dublin University, at home, defeated Royal College of Science 5-1, and at Tivoli terrace Kingstown Grammar School ran up a score of 6-0 in their match with Fairview C.Y.M.S. This leaves the Senior table now:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals F.	Goals A.	Pts.
Railway Union	9	8	1	0	43	8	16
Three Rock Rovers	9	7	1	1	30	10	15
Monkstown	9	5	3	1	23	16	11
Dublin University	7	5	2	0	35	11	10
R. College of Science	9	5	4	0	20	25	10
Kingstown G. School	8	2	5	1	12	25	5
Fairview C.Y.M.S.	9	0	7	2	3	36	2
Rosemount	10	0	9	1	6	7	1

RAILWAY UNION (2) v. THREE ROCK ROVERS (0).

Everybody felt that this match would be the real test of both teams, and it may be summed up by saying that Railway travelled to Foxrock determined to win, never faltered for a moment in that determination, pulled out throughout that knack of team play which is theirs more than any other Dublin side, and eventually wore down Rovers, whose bolt one felt plainly was shot in the second half. With the ground specially prepared, a fast, hard game was forthcoming from the beginning. At the outset Rovers felt Railway's strength. The latter had slightly the better of the exchanges, at least they were the more dangerous side, and they gained in confidence when C. Sully scored with a cross-shot about ten minutes from the interval. One looked for Rovers improving in the second half, and in the early stages of the period there were flashes of this being possible, but when V. Sully beat M'Cormick with a fast high shot about 6 minutes after the re-start, the result was a foregone conclusion. Up to this Railway were just the better side, certainly much the better team; but from that on they dominated the game. It was really the steadiness of their team play that gave them their superiority; they were on the top of their form, while Rovers were a bit below theirs, and they were, no doubt, weakened when Hall had to retire from an injury to the knee midway through the second half. Even so, on the day's display they were fated to be defeated. Teams:—

Three Rock Rovers—W. M'Cormick; G. Pilkington, C. Blair White; R. S. Wix, W. V. Campbell, H. M. Hall; N. Medcalf, J. K. Maconchy, J. Mahony, R. S. Evans, G. V. Boyd.

Railway Union—L. Ryan; K. Browner, K. Downey; J. Peatt, W. Chiddick (capt.), J. Ryan; T. Browner, C. Sully, V. Sully, H. Sully, P. Gillespie.

Umpires—Messrs. W. F. McDonnell and S. McIlveen.

KINGSTOWN GRAMMAR SCHOOL (6) v. FAIRVIEW C.Y.M.S. (0).

For the first time this season the Grammar School forwards heartened their supporters by showing an ability to score in this match at Tivoli terrace, while, on the other hand, the display of the Fairview front line was very poor, indeed. As a senior match, the game was rather an uninteresting affair. For the first twenty minutes or so it looked as if neither side could do anything. Then the School forwards seemed to find their game, and a lucky score by Cooke introduced this phase, McCormack following it up by two more goals before the interval. In the second half the same features were prominent. The Fairview forwards were hopeless when they got into or near the circle, while the Grammar School front line were able to get three more scores home (Cooke 2, and L'Estrange), and miss others. Teams:—

Kingstown G.S.—C. W. Gibson; G. Kelly, Rev. E. J. Devlin; R. E. Felton, A. F. Cooke, G. G. Jenkin; W. C. Ritchie, E. M. McCormack, A. C. L'Estrange, C. W. Cook, J. R. Marsden.

Fairview C.Y.M.S.—J. Murphy; M. Fitzgerald, P. Hanlon; P. Ryan, L. Ennis, P. Daly; G. Kavanagh, J. McDonnell, V. O'Keeffe, T. Waters, T. Mulrooney.

Umpires—Rev. J. Crockett and D. J. Colter.

MONKSTOWN (2) v. ROSEMOUNT (1).

If there was anything in "form," Monkstown should have won this match at Phillipsburgh avenue by a big margin, indeed, but they are surely the most erratic team in Leinster, and the stiff defence that Rosemount can put up made all the difference, and they were only able to bring off the points by the narrow limit of one goal. As it was, Rosemount gave them a great game, and, although playing one short for the first ten minutes, were attacking most of that time. After that the visitors improved, and had the better of the exchanges. Leitch had a shot and missed, then Semmence tried his hand, and eventually scored from the rebound off Leopold's pads. It was a short-lived lead, for Rosemount came away from midfield and Ellis equalised with a fine cross-shot. However, before the interval arrived Rowlands scored from a penalty corner. There was no scoring in the concluding half. Monkstown had had much the better of the game in this period, but the Rosemount defence was too good for them to make any impression on it. Teams:—

Rosemount—C. Leopold; A. George, — Hazell; A. Palk, J. Watson, H. Garrett; R. Richardson, J. Clancy, A. Gordon, H. McDona, E. Ellis.

Monkstown—A. Fenton; S. Orr, J. Peterson; J. Wallis, D. Rowlands, H. Williams; H. Wadsworth, R. Semmence, R. Leitch, R. Towers.

Umpires—A. H. Cairns and A. H. Orr.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY (5) v. ROYAL COLLEGE OF SCIENCE (1).

Good as the College of Science defence was in the College Park on Saturday, the winning score would have been very much greater had it not been for a wonderful display of goal-keeping by N. McNeil. The re-organised Trinity front line showed an improvement, and, dominating the play throughout, subjected the College back division to very heavy pressure. But for the steadiness of the fulls and McNeil's saving the score might easily have been doubled.

The visitors' weakness was their old one—slowness in the circle, not that they got within range as often as usual. They were up against a very fine half-back line, in which M. D. Fox was making his first appearance, and consequently were not allowed much scope. But the line never gave in, and their reward came towards the finish, when a good break-away wound up by Kelly scoring cleverly.

Play opened in favour of the home side, and a fast dash along the left wing, which was finished off by MacDonogh, opened the score in the first three minutes. The game then steadied down, and, although Trinity continued to do most of the attacking, there was no further scoring till about midway through the half Acheson put his side further ahead, and they changed over leading 2-0.

At the start of the second half the visitors had a number of chances, but poor finishing spoiled. Trinity went into attack again, and Leonard and MacDonogh (2) made the result certain. The winners tried Leonard at centre throughout the first half, Aykroyd playing inside to Eyre, but they changed places after the interval.

The Park was in much better order than for several weeks past, and, with good light, fast, open play prevailed throughout an interesting game, which was never as one-sided as the score would suggest. Result:—

Dublin University—5 goals.
Royal College of Science—1 goal.

Teams:—

Royal College of Science—N. MacNeil; E. E. Spence, E. J. Odium; G. Rooke, T. G. Webb, J. P. Pigot; R. Kelly, A. D. M'Cormick, R. R. Glanville, D. Lusk, F. Partridge.

Dublin University—R. A. Heatley; J. H. Tuke, C. Somerville-Large; M. D. Fox, E. J. Gahan, G. H. Spiller; J. M. Eyre, J. Leonard, W. R. Aykroyd, W. P. MacDonogh, W. R. Acheson.

Umpires—Messrs. F. Scales and G. Richardson.

MIDDLE LEAGUE.

	Goals.		Goals.
Dublin Univ. 2nd	6	Pembroke Wanderers	5
Monkstown 2nd	4	Y.M.C.A.	1
Railway Union 2nd	5	Dalkey	1
Three Rock R. 2nd	3	National Bank	2

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE—A.

Rosemount 2nd	1	Pembroke W. 2nd	1
Monkstown 3rd	3	Enfield	2

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE—B.

Bray	3	College of Surgeons	0

ULSTER RESULTS.

ANDERSON CUP.

Banbridge	3	Queen's University	3
Antrim	2	Lisnagarvey	1

SENIOR LEAGUE.

Ards	4	Down	0
East Antrim	4	North Down	2

AMERICAN GIRLS' TEAM FOR ENGLAND.

PHILADELPHIA (By Mail).

Miss Anne Townsend, of Philadelphia, has been elected captain of the All-American girls' hockey eleven, which will sail for England in January to compete in the International tournament. Prior to the International matches, the American team will play a series of games with English elevens. Miss Townsend will play centre half-back in the All-American team, which was selected last Saturday at the conclusion of the inter-city tournament here.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY v. GLASGOW UNIVERSITY (LADIES).

This match will be played in the College Park this afternoon, starting at 2.30 p.m., and is expected to produce a good game. Glasgow are travelling at full strength, and the following will represent Dublin University:—M. Boyd; N. Levingston, E. Gentleman; N. Clarendon, D. Gillespie, A. Buchanan; B. Pedlow, D. Scholefield, B. Hewat, C. McGuinness, E. Thrift.

LEINSTER LADIES' HOCKEY UNION.

Mrs. Gosset will give a lecture to-day in Victoria School, Dun Laoghaire, at 3.30 p.m.

BILLIARDS.

FALKINER v. INMAN.

Before a capital house this game was resumed on Saturday at Liverpool. Both did well, and some capital billiards was witnessed. Inman's chief items were 135 and 290, and Falkiner's 145, 142, and 61 (in play). Interval scores:—Falkiner (in play), 7,034; Inman, 6,461.

At night the principal items in the match were 262 and 126 by Falkiner, and 116 and 287 by Inman. Closing scores:—Falkiner (in play), 7,716; Inman, 7,391.

BOWLING.

In connection with the Kenilworth Bowling Club, Grosvenor square, Rathmines, Dublin, the ceremony of laying the last sod to the additional rink of the club's playing green was duly performed on Saturday by Mr. Albert Le Bas, the President of the club. This additional rink gives to the club seven playing rinks. After the ceremony, on the invitation of Mr. Le Bas, the company present assembled in the pavilion to a social function. Mr. D. W. Carpmills, in proposing the health of Mr. Le Bas, spoke in eulogistic terms of the great interest Mr. Le Bas took in the club's affairs and to his strenuous work. Mr. T. W. Sixsmith, on behalf of the members, presented to Mr. Le Bas a valuable gold [illegible]

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

ST. JAMES'S GATE HARRIERS' INVITATION RACE.

The feature of the second annual invitation run of the St. James's Gate Harriers, which was held on Saturday last, was the fine running of P. Ryan, of the promoting club, who furnished a surprise by winning the run-in. The opposition was by no means negligible, as the field included J. Peelo, of the Clonliffes, who, a week ago, was successful in the Castlevilla fixture, and P. O'Callaghan, of the Harps, who won the two other events of this character which have been decided in Dublin this season. Naturally, his victory was a matter of satisfaction to the home club, whose exertions on behalf of the winter branch of the sport are deserving of the success that has attended them.

The meet was at St. James's Park, and the pavilion was taxed to its capacity to find dressing accommodation for the eighty runners who took part in the event. The hosts supplied the largest contribution to the field, turning out twenty men. The Donore novices' handicap prevented the club being as strongly represented as usual, and the annual match with Edinburgh University took most of the Trinity men to Scotland. The strength of the clubs represented was as follows:—G.S. and W. Railway A.C., 16; Clonliffe harriers, 10; Castlevilla Harriers, 8; D.M.P. A.C., 8; Donore Harriers, 6; Dublin City, 5; Harp A. and C.C., 4; Dublin University Harriers, 3.

The run across country was not a lengthy one. Incidentally, it may be pointed out that there has been an increasing tendency of late to curtail the amount of ground traversed at fixtures of this character, a feature that does not make for their popularity with those whose chances of success in the run-in are not great. The events should be regarded as preliminary training spins for the championships, and a distance approximating the length of those events should be aimed at. The men lined up at the Half-way House for a race of about a mile and a quarter to the finishing point on the outskirts of Dolphin's Barn. When the cracks got clear of the field, O'Callaghan (Harps), Ryan (G.S. and W. Railway), Peelo (Clonliffe), and Ryan (St. James's Gate) were found in front, and ran in company for the greater part of the distance. A quarter of a mile from home O'Callaghan made his effort, but he was not able to shake off Ryan, of the home club, and a fine finish between the pair resulted in the win for the latter by five yards in 5 mins. 48 secs. Ryan (G.S. and W. Railway) was about the same distance in front of J. Peelo.

The placings of the first twenty were as follows:—

1—P. Ryan, St. James's Gate Harriers.
2—P. O'Callaghan, Harps A. and C.C.
3—P. Ryan, G.S. and W.R. A.C.
4—J. Peelo, Clonliffe Harriers.
5—T. Ashe, St. James's Gate Harriers.
6—E. Hale, Castlevilla Harriers.
7—J. Timmons, Dublin City Harriers.
8—G. N. Walker, Clonliffe Harriers.
9—R. M. Hilliard, Dublin University Harriers.
10—J. Brady, St. James's Gate Harriers.
11—W. Valentine, St. James's Gate Harriers.
12—J. Heffernan, Dublin City Harriers.
13—J. Downes, St. James's Gate.
14—J. Brazil, St. James's Gate.
15—H. C. Walters, Clonliffe Harriers.
16—J. M'Donnell, G.S. and W.R. A.C.
17—J. Farrell, St. James's Gate Harriers.
18—C. P. Kenney, Clonliffe Harriers.
19—M. M'Feely, Donore Harriers.
20—M. Reid, Dublin City Harriers.

In addition to prizes for the first three men, a medal was offered for the first club man home, which was won by T. Ashe (fifth). The club novices' medal was won by J. Brady (tenth), and the open novices' medal by E. Hale, Castlevilla Harriers (sixth). These awards were presented at the pavilion by Sir John Lumsden, the President of the club.

INTER-UNIVERSITY RACE.

EDINBURGH BEAT DUBLIN.

The Harrier representatives of Trinity College crossed to Edinburgh to fulfil their fixture with the Edinburgh University Hare and Hounds. The Dublin runners previously have not justified the reputation of Irishmen for speed over hill and dale, but the result on Saturday was a considerable disappointment, for, with a strong side, it was confidently expected that the Scottish run of success would be broken.

It was a delightful day, and the course of seven miles, which stretches to the westward of Craiglockhart, was over mixed country, and proved a severe test of stamina and speed. The teams were seven aside, and the first five men home counted. Eccles was expected to run very prominently for Dublin, but he rather failed to justify his reputation, and Carson also did not run to form. The surprise of the day was the great form displayed by Banks, who came to the front after half a mile had been covered, and was never headed. The captain of the Edinburgh team won by over 300 yards from his clubmate, Brook, who was a few yards ahead of McLaren, also of Edinburgh, who managed to shake off the challenge by Mackenzie, the Dublin captain, beating the latter by about fifty yards. Mackenzie was about thirty yards better than Eccles. When Edinburgh supplied the first three men in it looked as if the race was to be a gift for them, but Mackenzie, Eccles, and Steele all finished with very little between them. Everett (Edinburgh), however, managed to get seventh by a considerable distance from Carson. Although Haddon and Gregory followed with ninth and tenth places, it then became impossible for Edinburgh to lose, even though they finished last men. It is a very sporting fixture, and the social side of the event was thoroughly enjoyed by the visitors. The finish was:—

	M.	S.
1—J. N. Banks (Edinburgh)	39	30
2—D. Brook (Edinburgh)	41	3
3—G. McLaren (Edinburgh)	41	12
4—G. St. Clair Mackenzie (Dublin)	41	24
5—G. M. Eccles (Dublin)	41	30
6—W. N. C. Steele (Dublin)	41	34
7—R. Everett (Edinburgh)	41	39
8—D. M. Carson (Dublin)	42	7
9—R. E. Hadden (Dublin)	41	37
10—J. R. Gregory (Dublin)	42	49
11—A. H. Merrie (Edinburgh)	42	50
12—J. A. R. Watt (Edinburgh)	43	34
13—H. Miller (Edinburgh)	46	20
14—W. J. Johnson (Dublin)	47	45

Aggregate:—Edinburgh—1, 2, 3, 7, 11. Total—24. Dublin—4, 5, 6, 8, 9. Total—32.

OXFORD BEAT CAMBRIDGE.

In accordance with general expectations, Oxford won the annual cross-country event, over the seven miles course at Roehampton, on Saturday, decisively by 22 points to 33. The Light Blues were, unfortunately, not at full strength, their Secretary, P. W. Harris, being unable to run, while their captain, W. E. Yates, was suffering from an old back affection, and it was only with great difficulty he finished at all. Result:—

T. C. Fooks (Christ's, Cambridge) (42 min. 13 sec.), 1; C. B. E. Morgan (Christ Church, Oxford) (42 min. 57 sec.), 2; N. A. McInnes (New College Oxford) (43 min. 1 1-5 sec.), 3; F. A. Montague (Balliol, Oxford), 4; A. E. Young (Fitzwilliam Hall, Cambridge), 5; P. H. M. Bryant (Queen's, Oxford), 6; K. H. Bell (Brasenose, Oxford), 7; J. H. Bell (St. John's, Cambridge), 8; J. F. Varley (Christ's, Cambridge), 9; W. E. Yates (Trinity, Cambridge), 10. Oxford, 22 points; Cambridge, 33.

DONORE NOVICES' HANDICAP.

The Donore Harriers ran off a five miles novices' handicap for the Slator Cup, over the usual club course at Crumlin, on Saturday last. The recent welcome influx of members was indicated by the fact that a field of 35 runners turned out for the event. The handicap was framed by T. Murphy, and the President, V. P. McDonagh, acted as starter. The race proved a very interesting one, and after several changes in the leadership, D. Donnelly, one of the middle-markers, took the lead on the last lap, and won by a small margin from J. Peters (45 secs.), who made up a lot of ground on the last lap, and secured the distinction of doing fastest time. The placings and times of the first ten finishers were as under:—

	Net Time. Mins.	Secs.
1—D. Donnelly (3 mins. 15 secs.)	35	12
2—J. Peters (45 secs.)	32	17
3—J. Nolan (5 mins.)	37	2
4—H. Hutchings (3 mins.)	35	13
5—J. R. Handyman (2 mins.)	34	50
6—P. Donnelly (1 min. 15 secs.)	34	43
7—P. Curran (3 mins. 30 secs.)	36	35
8—C. Gore (2 mins. 15 secs.)	35	45
9—T. Murphy (scr.)		36
10—J. McPartlin (1 min. 30 secs.)	35	35

MOTOR CYCLING.

LEINSTER M.C.C. DINNER.

The phenomenal success which attended the running of the hundred miles race of the Leinster Motor Cycle Club in July last—the first event of its kind to be held in the Irish Free State—was the subject of many comments at the annual dinner of the club, which took place at the Dolphin Hotel on Saturday evening last. It was a matter of general regret that the winner of the race, Mr. N. P. Metcalfe, of Belfast, was unable to be present. He has been in hospital since the eve of the Ulster Grand Prix, owing to an accident in training, and it was not until last week that the doctors were able to state definitely that it would be possible to save his leg. The dining-room of the Dolphin was filled to its utmost capacity, and the guests included the President of the Dublin and District (Mr. S. L. Hutchinson), the President of the Ramblers (Mr. E. F. Keatinge), and several representatives of the Dublin University M.C.C. Mr. E. H. Hill was in the chair. The toasts submitted during the evening included the "Leinster Club," proposed by Mr. E. F. Keatinge, and replied to by Mr. G. V. B. Cooke, Hon. Secretary; "The President," proposed by Mr. S. L. Hutchinson; "The Visitors," proposed by Dr. T. P. Broderick; and "The Press." An excellent musical programme was provided, the contributors including Messrs. C. J. Williams, C. Robinson, A. Jackson, S. L. Hutchinson, and E. F. Keatinge, both of the latter singing topical songs, which were greatly enjoyed.

A considerable part of the evening was occupied by the distribution of the prizes won in the season's competitions. The extent and variety of the trials run off under the auspices of the club may be gleaned from the fact that no less than one hundred and sixty-five individual awards were presented, in addition to the perpetual trophies. Most of the prizes took the form of miniature cups of artistic design. Presentations were also made to Messrs. J. J. Beggan, F. E. Holmes, R. Murphy, B. Meagher, and R. H. Hill, in appreciation of the special services they rendered in connection with the hundred miles race of the club.

GOLF.

THE ARMY v. RYE.

A team representing the Army Golfing Society defeated Rye Club at Rye, by 12 matches to 5. In the leading match Major H. A. Boyd, the former Irish champion, lost to Ernest Smith, the Rye leader, by 2 and 1 in the singles, and in the foursomes, Boyd and Captain G. A. Moxon halved with B. B. Vincent and S. E. Gay.

HAVERS AND OCKENDEN IN AMERICA.

The first challenge match in Southern California, arranged for Arthur Havers, British Open Champion, and James Ockenden, Open Champion of France, will be played at Los Angeles on January 12th. They will oppose Willie Hunter, former British Amateur Champion, and George von Elm, former trans-Mississippi Amateur Champion. Havers and Ockenden will also enter for the Californian Open Championship, to be played on January 18th to 19th. The British professionals will arrive in Southern California on January 10th.

THE ISLAND—[illegible]

ASSOCIATION.

FAST GAME AT DALYMOUNT.

The Free State League provided a couple of interesting games on Saturday, the most exciting of which was that between St. James's Gate and Shamrock Rovers, at Shelbourne Park. For the greater part of the ninety minutes Rovers kept St. James's Gate hemmed in, and at the interval led by two clear goals. In the second period, however, St. James's Gate were seen at their best, and eventually ran out winners by 3 goals to 2. At The Thatch Shelbourne had an easy win over Midland Athletic by 6 clear goals. In the Free State Cup Bray Unknowns beat Dublin United by 2 goals to 1, after an exciting game.

In the Irish League Distillery had a narrow win over Newry Town, but Queen's Island had a runaway victory over Larne, and both Linfield and Glentoran gained full points from Cliftonville and Ards, the score being 2 clear in each case. Glenavon had a hard battle at Lurgan, and only succeeded in defeating Barn by a goal to nothing.

The visit of Athlone to Bohemians provided one of the best games witnessed at the Dalymount enclosure for some time, and though Bohemians won rather comfortably in the finish they were, nevertheless, well extended for the greater part of the game. Athlone set a very fast pace, but could make little impression on the home defence, whose half-back line practically dominated the game and spoiled all efforts of the Midlanders at combination. With the exception of about five minutes in the opening half Bohemians did all the pressing, but, though they got to within scoring distance frequently, the inside forwards were very clumsy in finishing, and many easy chances were lost through too much messing in front of goal. On the few occasions that Athlone got away they were infinitely more dangerous, their forwards making no mistakes with the openings which presented themselves. In defence, however, the visitors were much inferior, the middle line, with the exception of Dykes at centre, being poor, and offered very little opposition to the home attack. The full backs worked manfully, but the honours of the game go to O'Reilly in the Athlone goal, who, undoubtedly saved the side from a much heavier defeat. It was a fast, interesting game for the greater part, Bohemians always having the better of the exchanges, inasmuch as they played superior football, and the score of 4-1 is a good indication of their superiority.

Athlone went away strongly at the start, but the home defence proved sound, and Otto at left half soon had his wing settled comfortably. After twelve minutes' play Murray sent across a good centre, which O'Reilly cleared, and a moment later O'Kane got hold of a partial clearance and beat him. Though having all the best of the play, Bohemians failed to improve on their score before ends were changed. Five minutes after the restart Dykes levelled up the score for Athlone from a well placed flag kick, and then the Athlone side put in all their weight. They played vigorous football, but were eventually out-played. Twenty minutes play sufficed to give Bohemians the lead, O'Kane again being the scorer, and then Roberts added a couple of goals, the second of which was the result of a brilliant run, leaving Bohemians easy winners of a fast game.

FREE STATE LEAGUE.

	Goals.		Goals.
Bohemians	4	Athlone	1
St. James's Gate	3	Shamrock Rovers	2
Shelbourne	6	Midland Athletic	0
Bray Unknowns	2	Dublin United	1

LEINSTER LEAGUE—I.

St. James's Gate B	5	Queen's Park	2
St. Paul's	4	Bohemians B	0
Inchicore United	3	Dundalk	2
Seaview	2	University College	1
Civil Service	2	Shelbourne B	0
Glasnevin	7	Richmond	0

IRISH LEAGUE.

Linfield	2	Cliftonville	0
Glentoran	2	Ards	0
Queen's Island	8	Larne	0
Glenavon	1	Barn	0
Distillery	2	Newry Town	1

IRISH JUNIOR CUP—FOURTH ROUND.

Heartford	6	Glenbank Swifts	3
Dungannon United	3	Glenavon Res.	2
Sackville	2	Whitehouse	1
Earlville	2	Alexandra	1
Millwall	1	Adelaide	0
Bath Rangers	4	Holywood	0
Limavady	6	Newtownstewart	2
Ballymoney R.	2	Moatview Rangers	0
Antrim Comrades	4	White Lion	3
Ballytrim	5	62nd Platoon	1
Armagh United	2	Armaghdale	1

CROSS-CHANNEL RESULTS.

F.A. CUP LAST QUALIFYING ROUND.

Aberdare	1	Walsall	0
Accrington S.	1	Wrexham	0
Ashington	2	Hartlepools U.	1
Brentford	1	Portsmouth	1
Chesterfield	0	Grimsby Town	0
Darlington	3	Southport	0
Gillingham	1	Tranmere R.	0
Halifax Town	1	Rotherham C.	0
Llanelly	2	Southend U.	1
Norwich City	2	Stockport C.	0
Exeter City	2	Sittingbourne	0
Northampton	6	Wigan Borough	0

THE LEAGUE—DIVISION I.

Huddersfield Town	3	Arsenal	1
Bolton W.	7	Notts County	1
Burnley	2	Chelsea	0
Cardiff City	2	Liverpool	0
Manchester City	2	Everton	1
Nottingham Forest	2	West Ham United	1
Preston North End	4	Middlesbrough	0
Sheffield United	2	Aston Villa	1
Sunderland	3	Newcastle United	2
Tottenham H.	2	Blackburn Rovers	1
West Bromwich A.	0	Birmingham	0

THE LEAGUE—DIVISION 2.

Barnsley	2	Bradford City	1
Bristol City	1	Hull City	0
Stoke	2	Coventry City	1
Crystal Palace	3	The Wednesday	0
Derby County	2	Blackpool	0
Fulham	0	Nelson	0
Bury	2	Leeds United	1
Leicester City	1	Oldham Athletic	1
Manchester United	1	Port Vale	0
Southampton	0	South Shields	0

THE LEAGUE—DIVISION 3 (NORTH).

Doncaster R.	2	Durham City	1
New Brighton	2	Crewe Alex.	1
Rochdale	3	Barrow	1

THE LEAGUE—DIVISION 3 (SOUTHERN).

Bournemouth U.	1	Brighton and Hove	0
Luton Town	2	Reading	0
Millwall	1	Bristol Rovers	0
Plymouth A.	2	Newport Co.	1
Queen's Park R.	3	Merthyr Town	0
Swindon Town	0	Watford	0

SCOTTISH LEAGUE—DIVISION I.

Aberdeen	0	Falkirk	0
Ayr United	2	Dundee	2
Celtic	2	Motherwell	1
Clyde	2	Hamilton	1
Hibernians	3	Clydebank	2
Morton	2	Third Lanark	2
Partick Thistle	3	Kilmarnock	2
Airdrieonians	2	Queen's Park	0
Rangers	1	Raith Rovers	0
St. Mirren	0	Hearts	0

THE FREE STATE CUP.

At Victoria Cross Grounds, Cork, Tipperary Wanderers met Barrington United in the second qualifying round of the Free State Cup. The game was fought with great vigour on both sides, and at the conclusion of full time the score was one goal all. An additional twenty minutes was played, but no further scoring took place.

GAELIC GAMES.

SIGERSON CUP FINAL.

DUBLIN'S VICTORY.

BY PATO.

I do not think we have had a more successful Sigerson than in Dublin. The whole Cup tournament is affectionately known as "The Sigerson," and I do not believe the learned professor, who has done so much in Celtic research, dislikes the good-fellowship of the students, who are responsible for the familiarity. Cork University College were holders, having won a great final last year against Dublin. This year Queen's, Belfast, sent down a rather inexperienced but a very fast team, who gave Dublin a good game on Friday.

The second semi-final was played on Saturday afternoon, before a good crowd. Both sides were impulsive, and, as usually happens in cup ties, the backs beat the over-eager forwards in each half. Brennan and McGrath were prominent for Galway, but the Western forwards made no impression on Murphy, Nunan, and Mulcahy on the Cork back line. Right through the field Cork were superior. Kearney, Atkins, and Donoghue got plenty of chances, but neither of these useful trio were over-happy in finding the posts. Cork turned over with a goal clear at half-way, and won comfortably.

Cork U.C.—2 goals.
Galway U.C.—1 point.

The final at Terenure Park yesterday afternoon provided a very fast and exciting, if not over-brilliant, display. They were the same finalists as played Cork last year. The Dublin College now had the advantage of playing on their home pitch. They pulled out their strongest team, including Dr. Thomas Pierce, F. Burke, and McGowan.

Cork attacked at once. They pressed Gardiner and Pierce hard, but both are steady handlers, and were able to work clear. The Southern team had wind and fall with them, and played very robust football. They did not seem to control the ball in the same steady way as Dublin, who got away, per O'Sullivan to J. Gardiner, who sent a long ball wide. The game was largely confined to Dublin territory, and, had the Cork scoring men any steadiness at this period a formidable lead would have been gained by the Munstermen. Twenty minutes had gone before Dublin's fine defence was beaten, when far out on the left M. Murphy kicked across a fine point. Cork continued aggressive, but their shooting was all astray. Half-time:—

Cork U.C.—1 point.
Dublin U.C.—Nil.

The narrow lead of Cork made the game look comfortable for Dublin, with the wind behind them, and, having the advantage of a material fall in the pitch, into what has been the scoring goal at Terenure. Frank Burke, well-known in inter-county football, had been getting little of the ball in the opening half, but was now well fed in the changed conditions. It took him some time to find his game, but once he found it he produced football which brought about the beating of the Cork team. Fortune, Nunan, both Murphys, Kearney and Atkins were very fast and fearless. Donoghue and O'Shea were resolute workers, but when it came to open play Dublin were far steadier, and showed greater skill in opening up the game. It was from a swing-back of Henry's that Burke got possession on the left. He sent unerringly to the goal-mouth. Murphy and Brien could have saved it easily, but bustled one another, and the Dublin forwards raced in rushing the ball into the net. This was the beginning of the end. The balance of the hour could be written of in two words—Burke-Kilcoyne. This pair were now in their happiest mood. They never had a comfortable time, for Murphy and Nunan made them fight for every score. But Burke scored right-legged from the left, whilst Kilcoyne scored left-legged from the right in quick succession. Occasionally Cork broke away. Some splendid chances came their way. H. Atkins kicked their only point of the half from a free, and missed more than one opening. The Cork forwards were up against very capable, steady backs in Gardiner, Doherty, and Pierce. Through the field Seamus Gardiner was a tower of strength. Both Murphys, Donoghue, Nunan, Atkins, and Fortune played well for Cork. O'Shea, as extreme forward, had few opportunities of supporting a high Southern representation. Final score:—

Dublin—3 goals 4 points.
Cork—2 points.

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THE TEACHING OF CITIZENSHIP.

Citizenship was the subject of a lecture delivered before the Rathfarnham Improvement Association last evening by Mr. Howard H. Hely. Mr. J. L. Hughes presided.

Mr. Hely said that the young citizen, in school, should be taught the history, topography, and architecture of his city—with a knowledge of its public buildings, etc.—but as far as possible this kind of local knowledge should be taught direct, and the young citizen should be confronted with the city itself as a living reality. From his earliest years the citizen should be familiarised with the idea of the existence of law—how through his entire life he is surrounded with its atmosphere, and remains free only by rigidly obeying its precepts. He also insisted upon the citizen's duty of cherishing and respecting his own language, and that the careful teaching of it came before that of foreign tongues.

The most obvious duty of the citizen was the intelligent payment of his rates and taxes, the conscientious election of representatives in public affairs, and in certain cases acting himself in that capacity. The lecturer then dwelt on the importance of taking an interest in local affairs generally, as a test of good citizenship, and on the importance and interest of town planning, and the civic survey which should precede it.

Sir John Irwin proposed, and Mr. John Craig seconded, a vote of thanks to the lecturer, and it was passed unanimously.

WAR MEMORIAL AT BRAY

UNVEILED BY LORD POWERSCOURT.

In the presence of a large concourse of people, Viscount Powerscourt on Sunday afternoon unveiled a handsome Celtic cross, erected in the Quinsboro' road, Bray, as a memorial to nearly 200 Bray men who lost their lives in the great war.

The cross stands prominently in the Carlisle grounds, on a plot granted by the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company. It is 17 feet 6 inches high, and is carved from Irish limestone in traditional design, with ornamentation of Celtic interlacings. On three sides of the base are inlet bronze plates, bearing in raised letters the names of the men whose sacrifice is commemorated. The whole stands on a plinth of Co. Wicklow granite, above three tiers of steps.

The ceremony of unveiling attracted not only the population of Bray, but also many people from a wide area of the County Wicklow and South County Dublin. Amongst those present were Viscountess Powerscourt, Lord and Lady Ardee, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Chatterton; Miss Brew, Sir Albert Meldon, Colonel Newcombe, Miss Scott, Miss Le Fanu, Captain Pepper, General Cockburn, Mr. Frank Bethel, Mr. Edward Lee, Canon Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Toomey, etc.

The Legion of ExService Men paraded under Brigadier-General Lord Ardee, C.B., and formed a hollow square round the memorial, and at three o'clock Lord Powerscourt, who wore the uniform of the City of Dublin Cadet Corps, addressed the assembly, preparatory to unveiling the cross.

LORD POWERSCOURT'S SPEECH.

He said that they had met there that winter Sunday evening to unveil their own memorial, erected by their own endeavour, in memory of their own friends who had made the supreme sacrifice in the great war. They had erected it as a tribute of gratitude, of love, and of admiration to those who, when the call came, sallied forth with light hearts, leaving all that life held most dear, into the great unknown, whence, in their case, there was no return. They had erected this cross that it might, as it were, reflect a halo of glory around them. They were determined at least that their names should be handed down to posterity as those of heroes, as their own heroes. The memorial was, to his mind, erected for a twofold purpose. Firstly, to record the names of great heroes, and thus to point the path of duty to those who came after them; and, secondly, as a sort of holy spot, where the bereaved might come and, perhaps, enter into the closest communion which one might have on earth with the souls of dear ones departed.

It was true that these heroes' earthly bodies lay scattered in remote spots all over Europe and Asia, but if there was life after death, surely their souls were there that evening, and, if they were, what were they saying? He liked to think that they were pleased with that humble effort. He was sure that they were. He thought of them as saying: "Well done; we are glad that Bray has not forgotten us; we are glad that Bray has not forgotten our great sacrifice; we may have been unable to make the greater part of our lives conspicuous, but our deaths at least have been honourable."

In connection with the collection of the names of the fallen and the necessary funds, to say nothing of the general work involved, he could not refrain from mentioning the names of Miss Brew, hon. secretary, who was ably assisted by Miss Scott and Miss Le Fanu. These ladies threw themselves most wholeheartedly into the work, and it was owing to their activities that the Committee had been able to erect such a worthy memorial.

In unveiling the memorial he said that he was sure that they would all join him in the fervent, heartfelt prayer: "Peace to their ashes; glory to their memory."

THE UNVEILING.

As Lord Powerscourt spoke the last words the veil fell from the Cross. Buglers sounded the "Last Post." Lord Powerscourt and the ex-soldiers and Boy Scouts stood at the salute, the men uncovered and women bowed their heads.

Lord Powerscourt then laid a wreath of palms and white chrysanthemums at the foot of the cross, and many other wreaths were placed beside it. The Legion of ex-Service Men's wreath was laid by Sergeant-Major Jordon, who was attended by an escort of ex-Service men. In memory of Bray Scouts District Scoutmaster Childs brought another wreath. He was attended by a colour party and escort of Bray Rovers. Miss Brew and Sir Albert Meldon were among others who brought floral tributes.

The Legion then formed four deep, and, including in their ranks representatives of the Dalkey branch, under Messrs. W. Murphy (chairman), S. Williams (vice-chairman), and J. Duff (secretary), followed by the Scouts contingent, marched past the Cross, led by General Lord Ardee and Viscount Powerscourt. The ceremony ended with the *Réveillé*. Superintendent Hallinan and a number of Civic Guards were in attendance, and aided in the excellent order with which the ceremonies were carried out.

"GUESTS' NIGHT."

ENJOYABLE CONCERT BY R.I.A.M. STUDENTS.

The "Guests' night" of the Students' Union of the Royal Irish Academy of Music, Dublin, is always an enjoyable function. Music has not yet become to these young people the inspiration to jealousies, intrigues, and cliques that it too frequently is in the "profession."

A pleasant programme was given on Saturday night, after the best Academy traditions. The first movement of Esposito's String Quartet (Op. 33) was so fine a classic form that one longed to hear the quartet in its entirety. The players were:—Violins, the Misses Nancie Lord and Alice Brough; viola, Miss May Lord; 'cello, Miss Daphne Thompson. This was easily the outstanding feature of the evening.

Miss Rachel Levin gave Ravel's "Jeux d'eau" with nice imaginative sense, and Miss Hilda Shea, in the more advanced French idiom of Debussy, was free from affectation in touch and phrase. Some beautiful impressions of Rameau (arr. Esposito) were in "Rappel des Oiseaux," an incessant outpouring of liquid notes—a brilliant study by Miss Hilda Shea. Miss Nancie Lord (violin), in the last movement from Leken's "Sonata in G," showed sound technique. Its difficulties mark achievement both from violinist and pianist (Miss Dorothy Stokes). This latter was very helpful in accenting and tone-grading. Mr. Robert Potterton gave three violin solos in a pronouncedly good *cantabile* style. Of these the graceful "Cavatina" of Signor Simonetti and "Meditation" (Massenet) were very refined and artistic.

Mr. Alfred Birch, in the quaint "Twelve Days of Christmas," sang with ease, assured command of rhythm, and very pleasant *timbre*. Miss Muriel Starkie was happy in the Debussy songs, "Les Cloches" and "Romance." Miss Hilda Dobbs sang Mimi's song from "La Bohème" with nice diction and feeling. Mr. Harold Johnston's better song, "Blow, blow, thou winter wind" (Quilter), was delivered in good method, with a fine open note. His voice is attractive and sympathetic.

The Misses Madge Bradbury and Betty Thompson sang "Is it the wind of the dawn?" and "It was a lover and his lass" (duets) with many nice points of definition and graceful phrase.

The accompanists were the Misses Joannie Russell, Dorothy Stokes, Dorothy Neville, and Eileen Buckly, and Mrs. Boxwell, who all acquitted themselves with studious care and good taste.

THE PROPOSED NEW AIR SERVICE.

LANDING GROUND INSPECTED AT BELFAST.

The aeroplane which arrived in Belfast last Friday in connection with the suggested air service between Belfast and Manchester returned to the Lancashire centre on Saturday.

In addition to the pilot (Captain Hope), there were also on board Colonel Shelmerdine (of the Civil Aviation Department of the Air Ministry), Mrs. Shelmerdine, and Major Bartlett. The machine was parked overnight at Musgrave Park, where on Saturday morning the pilot and others made a further inspection of the grounds in regard to their suitability as a landing and taking-off place.

The Corporation of London decided yesterday to resume the practice, suspended since 1905, of allocating £500 a year for the purchase of pictures or other works of art for the Guildhall Art Gallery.

COUNTY KILDARE MURDER.

MILITARY POLICEMAN SHOT.

BODY FOUND IN GRAND CANAL.

The body of Joseph Bergin, a military policeman stationed at the Curragh Camp, was found in the Grand Canal at Milltown Bridge, County Kildare, on Friday. There were six bullet wounds in the head, and there seems to be little doubt that Bergin was shot during Thursday night, after which the body was carried to Milltown Bridge and thrown into the water.

From inquiries which were made by an *Irish Times* representative, it appears that Bergin rode out of the Curragh Camp on a bicycle on Thursday morning with the intention of taking a train leaving for Dublin at Kildare or Newbridge. His proposed visit to Dublin appears to have been connected with the purchase of a motor cycle, and it is believed that he had a sum of money in his possession. No money was found in his pockets when the body was taken from the canal, and little appears to be known of the man's movements between the time that he left the camp and the finding of his body. He does not appear to have visited the railway stations at Newbridge or Kildare, and the bicycle which he rode has not been found.

It is said that he was in Kildare town on Thursday and drove in a motor car towards Rathangan. The car returned later. It is suggested that, having been shot, his body was strapped to a motor car and that it was then taken to the canal.

Colour is lent to the theory that robbery was the cause of the crime by the fact that Bergin had saved a considerable sum, and is understood to have drawn money from the bank on the day of his death. He is described as having been a popular young man, with no enemies.

THE INQUEST.

The inquest was held at Milltown, midway between Kildare and Newbridge, on Saturday by Dr. Edward Cosgrove, Kilcock, Coroner for North Kildare.

William Bergin, Camross, Mountrath, identified the remains as those of his brother, aged 23, who had been a shop assistant before he joined the National Army three months ago.

Captain Patrick Horgan said that Bergin was a private in the Military Police Corps, and was a very capable soldier and sober and steady. He had no duty that would create enmity in the district.

Ernest O'Farrell, Milltown, said that he was going to work at 9.25 on Friday morning, when some school children drew his attention to pools of blood on the bridge. He looked over the bridge and saw a dead man in the canal. Word was sent to the Civic Guard.

Sergeant Patrick Hackett, Civic Guard, Newbridge, who removed the body from the water, said that he found nothing in the pockets except two military passes. There was a little bag hanging round the neck containing scapulars and medals. There were no boots or socks, collar or tie on the body. Round the neck was the belt of a trench coat, loosely tied. A pair of braces and a handkerchief were tied to the belt. It appeared to him that Bergin must have been taken out of a house hurriedly, and had not time to put on his boots, collar or tie.

Private John Killeen, Military Police, Curragh Camp, said that he last saw Bergin about 6.45 on Thursday morning. He said that he was going to Dublin that day to purchase a motor bicycle for £35.

To a juror—He must have had a considerable amount of money in his possession, including one £10 note, which he had for a couple of months past. He had gone without proper leave, but that might have been because he wanted to catch an early train.

Captain Horgan, recalled, said that it was true that Bergin was out without a pass, but, as he was off duty that day, his offence was purely technical and would not be regarded seriously.

MEDICAL EVIDENCE.

Dr. J. Roantree said that the external marks of violence found on the body were:—Two slight flesh wounds, one on the left brow and one on the right scalp. There were six gunshot wounds—two on the left brow, one half-way between the left ear and the left eye, and three fairly close together on the top of the head. The left eye was shattered. The *post-mortem* examination showed that these six gunshot wounds were entrance wounds. The skin around the gunshot wound between the left eye and the left ear was discoloured with gunpowder. In his opinion, death was due to shock and hemorrhage, following laceration of the brain, caused by gunshot wounds.

To the Coroner—In his opinion, the wounds could not have been self-inflicted.

To a Juror—The three bullets in the top of the head were fired when the man was lying down.

Dr. Blake and Dr. Cosgrave corroborated.

The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the medical evidence, and added a rider expressing sympathy with the relatives.

NO ARRESTS.

On inquiry yesterday afternoon at the station of the Civic Guard at Kildare, our representative was informed that inquiries were being continued, but that up to that point there was no particular development. No arrests have been made.

NORTHERN EDUCATION.

AMENDMENT OF NEW ACT DEMANDED.

The Protestant Churches and the Grand Orange Lodge of Belfast have put forward a demand for an amendment of the new Education Act in Northern Ireland which will remove the possibility of the appointment by regional committees of any but Protestant teachers for Protestant schools. The question has now reached an acute stage, and the heads of the Churches have advised that no schools be transferred to the new authorities until satisfactory arrangements have been made along the lines suggested. The Grand Black Chapter of the British Commonwealth, which is closely associated with the Orange organisation, meeting in Belfast, passed a resolution thanking the Northern Government for their efforts to improve education in Northern Ireland, and adding—"We request them to take immediate steps to amend the Act, so as to secure that only Protestant teachers for Protestant children be employed, as education without religion would be detrimental to the future welfare of our province."

On the other hand, the Right Hon. H. M. Pollock, the Northern Minister of Finance, declared on Friday last that the ostensible ground of protest was the fear that Roman Catholic teachers may be appointed to Protestant schools in districts where Catholics happen to predominate on the regional committees. Such results are very improbable, as the Ministry exercise a power of veto; and there is reason to believe that the great mass of the laity of the province, including the teachers, disapprove of the action of the Churches.

The Government feel that it would be a course subversive of the whole basis of its educational policy to concede a return to rank denominationalism, which the demands of the malcontents involve.

During the recent contest in West Belfast, Mr. R. J. Lynn, M.P., who has been closely identified with the groundwork upon which the Act was based in the Lynn Committee, promised to support an amending Act.

THE CHRISTMAS DINNER.

BELFAST MARKET PRICES.

The following prices are ruling in Belfast market:—

LIVE FOWL.		s. d.		s. d.
Cock turkeys,	each	23 0	to	38 0
Hen turkeys,	do.	11 0	to	18 0
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Hens,	do.	2 9	to	3 6
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Hen turkeys,	do.	12 0	to	19 6
Geese,	do.	7 6	to	14 0
Ducks,	do.	3 0	to	4 3
Hens,	do.	3 3	to	4 0
Chickens,	do.	3 9	to	5 3
Cock turkeys,	per lb.	1 10	to	2 2
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ENTERTAINMENTS.

DUBLIN PROGRAMMES.

The Gaiety Theatre is closed until Boxing Day, when the annual pantomimes will be produced.

Wal Langtry, comedian, appears at the Theatre Royal this week, together with Henriette de Serris, in living statuary and bas-reliefs; J. A. Powers, Scotch humorist; Beaucaire and Partner, in a silent comedy; The Ketos, eccentric entertainments; Leah Victoria, comedienne; Woodward and Page, comedy cyclists; and the Hayden-Herbert entertainers.

The Dixie Minstrels will perform in the Tivoli Theatre. Other artists contributing to the programme are—Male Mirror, in songs and stories; Risket and Betty, in an aerial comedy; and Sonni, comedian.

At the Abbey Theatre Henrik Ibsen's "A Doll's House" will be played. This is a recent addition to the repertory of the Abbey, and was very well received on the occasion of its production last March. The cast will include—F. J. McCormick, Michael J. Dolan, and Arthur Shields, and the Misses Eileen Crowe, Sara Allgood, and Delany.

The management of the Olympia Theatre is showing a film entitled "The Dop Doctor," a screen adaptation of the novel of the same name, by Richard Dehan. The pantomime will commence in this theatre on Boxing Day.

The first of the Christmas pantomimes will be presented at the Queen's Theatre to-night. It is "Cinderella," written by Wally Black, and will be played by a cast of fifty performers. The production contains a number of pretty dances, popular songs, and amusing "situations." Cinderella's coach will be drawn by ponies lent by the Dublin Zoo. The scenic effects promise to be good, and the picturesque costumes should add to the brightness and gaiety of the production. Among the artists are—Lola Milton, W. H. Irving, Rosie Fitzgerald (Cinderella), Jimmy O'Dea, Jack Ronda, Bert Selby, Jim Myers, and Amy Sayer. There will be a specially augmented orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Samuel Levenston.

CINEMAS.

"Her Mad Bargain" is the principal picture at La Scala Theatre this week. The story shows a pauper girl's fight for happiness. Anita Stewart plays the leading *role*.

"North of the Rio Grande" will be shown at the Carlton Cinema for the first part of the week. The leading parts are played by Jack Holt and Bebe Daniels. On Thursday "The White Hope," from the novel by Trowbridge, with Violet Hopson and Stewart Rome in the chief parts, will be shown.

On the first three days of this week "The Lane that had no Turning," with Agnes Ayres in the chief part, will be shown at the Princess Cinema, Rathmines. Harold Lloyd will be seen in "I do." In the second half of the week "Fool's Paradise," in which Dorothy Dalton, Mildred Harris, and Conrad Nayel figure, will be the chief attraction. Miss Fagan's symphony orchestra plays at this cinema.

CONCERT.

Miss Culwick's Choral Society's Concert will take place to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock, in the Metropolitan Hall, Abbey street, Dublin. The programme will include many interesting examples of unaccompanied choral work, vocal items by Madame Borel, and pianoforte solos by Miss Rhoda Coghill.

JAPANESE EARTHQUAKE LECTURE

A lecture, under the auspices of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, will be delivered in the Theatre Royal, Dublin, on Wednesday afternoon, January 2, at 3 p.m. on the earthquake in Japan. The "official" film will be shown, and the proceeds will be devoted to the funds for assisting the sufferers.

OLYMPIA PANTOMIME.

The pantomime season at the Olympia Theatre opens next Monday night with "Aladdin." The management has left nothing undone to secure its success. The title rôle will be played by Fay Black, who has fulfilled engagements with C. B. Cochran, Grossmith, and Laurillard. The Benedetti Brothers will provide most of the fun. They are two popular clowns who present something new in comedy acts. George Smyth-Beale has been engaged from the musical comedy, "Gabrielle," to play the part of the "Emperor." For the part of the "Widow Twankey" the management has engaged Walter Dale. "Abanazar" is to be the actor-vocalist, Arthur Reece, and Dorita Belmont, another musical comedy artist, will be the "Princess." There will be several "features," chorus, augmented orchestra, and scenery and dresses that promise to make the pantomime the brightest production yet seen at the Olympia Theatre.

"THE MIKADO."

CLOSE OF RATHMINES SOCIETY'S SEASON.

Much enthusiasm was displayed by the audience at the concluding performance on Saturday night at the Gaiety Theatre, Dublin, of the Rathmines and Rathgar Musical Society's season of Gilbert and Sullivan opera.

"The Mikado" was the opera, and Mr. Alf. Gaynor, in the part of Ko-Ko, developed his "business" so successfully that even his fellow-principals could not conceal their amusement. Mr. Gaynor was recalled again and again. At the final curtain scores of presents were handed up to the principals. Miss May Doyle, Miss Florence Howley, Miss Ria Mooney and Miss Mabel Howe had all piles of boxes of chocolates in front of them when the presentations ceased.

Mr. Weaving, musical director of the Society, expressed his thanks to the musical people of Dublin, who had given the Society such tremendous "houses" during the fortnight. "The last time we came before you," he said, "I appealed to you for an extended support, but I did not believe that you would respond in the way you have done. It has been most encouraging to have such 'houses.' We only hope that we fulfilled your expectations." (Applause.)

Mr. Weaving spoke appreciatively of the services rendered to the Society by Mr. Pattrick, with whose work all were delighted. Regarding the musical side, he thanked the orchestra, under Mr. Nabarro, for what they had done for him and for the company as a whole.

In concluding, he referred to the need for a concert hall in Dublin, and he hoped that all in the audience would join in the movement to remedy this want.

Mr. Cranfield expressed the thanks of the Society to the Press for the careful attention given to the productions, and to the management of the Gaiety Theatre. He also joined in the tribute to Mr. Pattrick.

Mr. F. W. Pattrick, who was enthusiastically received by the company on the stage, said that it was the first time he had produced for that Society; he hoped it was not the last. (Applause.) It was a big undertaking to produce four Gilbert and Sullivan operas in a fortnight, but everybody in the company had worked very hard. He thought that, for people who were engaged at their ordinary work in the daytime, the work they had done was remarkably good.

As the audience left the theatre the sound of singing, "For he's a jolly good fellow" and "Auld Lang Syne," was heard from the curtained stage.

DEATH OF GENERAL LUMLEY.

Brigadier-General the Hon. Osbert Lumley, C.M.G., who has died at Rufford Abbey, Notts, from heart failure following pneumonia, was brother and heir to the Earl of Scarbrough.

General Lumley commanded the 11th Hussars from 1900 until 1904, and was A.D.C. and Military Private Secretary to the Marquess of Zetland, when Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and Colonel-in-Charge of the Cavalry Records (Hussars) from 1910 until 1914. In 1892, at the age of 30, General Lumley married Constance Eleanor, O.B.E., eldest daughter of the late Captain Eustace John Wilson-Patten, 1st Life Guards. General Lumley is succeeded by his only son, Mr. Lawrence Roger Lumley, late lieutenant in the Hussars.

The funeral takes place at Sandbeck Park, Rotherham, on Wednesday afternoon.

DEATH OF MR. JOHN MEEKE.

The death occurred at Benvarden, County Antrim, on December 7th, of John Meeke, who served with the Ulster Division in France, and was awarded the Military Medal for giving first aid under heavy fire to Major William Redmond, and staying with him, though wounded in the ankle, till some men of the division came by escorting German prisoners, and then brought Major Redmond in. Meeke was one of the six men told off to be with the Royal Engineer officer who exploded the mine at Messines on June 7th, 1917. He was severely wounded by an explosive bullet in October, 1918, and, after eight operations and a long time in hospital, was discharged, but he never recovered his health.

His widow, now left with two infant daughters, was injured in a projectile factory, where she worked during the war.

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NATIVITY PLAY.

CHILDREN PERFORM IN AID OF CHARITY.

"Bethlehem at Dalkey" is the apt description with which the producers announced the third performance of a Nativity play given on Saturday in Dalkey Town Hall.

The play is performed by children from Killiney and Ballybrack, who have been trained by Lady O'Connell. The performances are for charity, and the proceeds will be divided between Teac Ultain Infants' Hospital, Dublin, and St. Joseph's Home for Crippled Children at Coole. About seventy children take part in the play, which is rather on the lines of a panoramic tableau, taking one from the adoration of Christ in the manger to the homages of mediæval saints. The Mother of God and St. Joseph are there, the shepherds, the magi, and around and above are many angels praising and singing the glories of the Holy Infant, who is the King of Kings. In the last stage of the play long ages of Christendom are passed in review.

The children are most recollected and reverent in their demeanour throughout the play, having seemingly entered into the spirit of the sacred characters they represent.

FESTIVAL OF CHANUKAH.

JEWISH MATINEE CONCERT IN DUBLIN.

Yesterday afternoon at the Olympia Theatre, Dublin, a concert was given by a party of Dublin Jewish artistes under the direction of Mrs. Ida Briscoe, of Monkstown. The purpose of the concert, the proceeds of which will be devoted to local charities, was to celebrate the Jewish festival of Chanukah, which recalls the victory of Judas Maccabeus over the Assyrians under Antiochus.

Miss Dina Copeman, of the Royal Irish Academy of Music, played some of her pianoforte successes from last year's Royal Dublin Society recital, her rendering of "Bourree," by Saint Saëns (left hand only) calling for repeated encores. Miss B. Klein, another talented Academy soloist, rendered a delightful violin obligato of "Hejre Kati" (Hubay), while Miss Rosalind Cohen, who won the Plunkett Green Cup at the Feis Ceoil last year, displayed great vocal colouring and tone in "Si mes vers avaient des ailes" (Hahn). Miss Betty Thompson was encored for a fine rendering of Tchaikowsky's "Pilgrim Song," and Miss E. Myers, an American soprano, was particularly good in Zagler's arrangement of "Eli, Eli."

In addition to the above, Miss Dora Zlotover recited a fine poem on the festival of Chanukah, called "The Menorah," by Mrs. R. J. Solomons, a well-known Jewish poetess, living in Dublin. This composition adds one more to the long list of brilliant poems on Biblical themes from the pen of Mrs. Solomons. A Chanukah play, by Mrs. I. Briscoe, was also produced, the play being an allegory on the eight lights kindled in every Jewish home on the Chanukah. The prologue was well spoken by Miss Marion Jacobs, and the eight lights were represented by the Misses F. Malamed, M. Shreider, N. Leventhal, R. Kahn, F. Murhatt, E. Rosefield, B. Clein, and A. Shrago. Miss A. Khan was the "Shammas."

The music was supplied by Mr. Erwin Goldwater and his orchestra (by kind permission of the directors of the Metropole Theatre), and the accompanists were Misses R. Wachmann and E. Neville.

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DIOCESAN COUNCILS.

The Joint Diocesan Councils of Dublin, Glendalough and Kildare met last Thursday. The Archbishop of Dublin presided. The other members present were:—Archdeacon of Dublin, Canon Lewis-Crosby, Canon Connell, Canon Thompson, Canon Gibbon, the Rev. E. G. Sullivan, the Rev. G. A. Chamberlain, Dean of Christ Church, the Rev. J. H. Alcock, Mr. W. G. Wakely, Mr. J. A. Maconchy, Sir John W. Moore, Mr. W. Ireland, Mr. R. Hinde, Mr. A. D. Price, Mr. W. E. Thrift, F.T.C.D.; Mr. R. Blair White, Mr. P. H. Grierson, Earl of Belmore, Archdeacon of Glendalough, Canon Weir, Canon Moore, Canon Johnson, the Rev. J. S. Long, the Rev. M. J. Palmer, the Rev. C. H. Strong, Major E. H. C. Wellesley, Lord Frederick FitzGerald, Major C. R. Gun-Cuninghame, Mr. W. J. Shepard, Mr. J. F. Cowper, Mr. J. E. Gabbett, His Honour J. H. Moore, Mr. T. A. Tombe, Dean of Kildare, Archdeacon of Kildare, Canon Craig, Canon Graham, Mr. T. P. Trench, Mr. G. Leycester Penrhyn. The quarterly reports of the Joint Finance and Joint Glebes Committees were read and adopted. Stipends for current quarter were passed to the amount of £10,018 16s. 8d. Payments for the half year to Rural Deans were passed at £115. Grants from superannuation sources were passed to the amount of £1,282 12s. 11d. Payments under clause 14 of the Diocesan Financial Plan to Annuitants and Compounders were passed at £157 10s. Canon Connell and His Honour J. H. Moore were appointed members of the Joint Glebes Committee in room of the Dean of Ossory and the late Mr. E. N. Wynne. Having transacted the remaining business, the Council adjourned until Thursday, March 13, 1924.

The United Diocesan Councils of Glendalough and Kildare met last Thursday. The Archbishop of Dublin presided. The other members present were:—Archdeacon of Glendalough, Canon Weir, Canon Moore, Canon Johnson, the Rev. J. S. Long, the Rev. M. J. Palmer, the Rev. C. H. Strong, Major E. H. C. Wellesley, Lord Frederick FitzGerald, Major C. R. Gun-Cuninghame, Mr. W. J. Shepard, Earl of Wicklow, Mr. J. F. Cowper, Mr. J. E. Gabbett, His Honour J. H. Moore, Mr. T. A. Tombe, Dean of Kildare, Archdeacon of Kildare, Canon Craig, Canon Graham, Mr. T. P. Trench, Mr. G. Leycester Penrhyn. The following resolution was passed in silence, all the members standing:—"That the United Diocesan Councils of Glendalough and Kildare deeply regret the death of E. N. Wynne, Esq., who for many years was a member and regular attendant of the Diocesan Council and Synod of the Diocese of Glendalough, and beg to offer their sympathy to his widow and family in their bereavement." His Honour J. H. Moore was elected as a representative on the Joint Finance Committee, in room of the late Mr. E. N. Wynne. Having transacted the remaining business, the Council adjourned until Thursday, March 13, 1924.

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NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

The body of Joseph Bergin, a military policeman, who left the Curragh Camp on Thursday morning with the intention of visiting Dublin, was found in the Grand Canal at Milltown Bridge on Friday morning. There were six bullet wounds in the head, and the medical evidence at the inquest on Saturday showed that some of the shots had been fired while the man was on the ground.—(Page 5.)

Yesterday afternoon Lord Powerscourt unveiled at Bray a handsome memorial, which has been erected at Quinsborough road, to the memory of nearly 200 men from the district who lost their lives in the war.—(Page 5.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

On Saturday an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease was discovered at Deal, in Kent, and the area has been scheduled.—(Page 7.)

The eighth anniversary of the establishment of Talbot House, Poperinghe, was celebrated with solemn ceremonies on Saturday and yesterday.—(Page 8.)

ABROAD

An investigation has been demanded by the British Consul-General in New York into the circumstances attending the death at Ellis Island, on Thursday, of an Englishwoman who arrived at New York from Liverpool on Monday.—(Page 7.)

A Frenchman has invented a new aeroplane capable of flying 375 miles an hour.—(Page 7.)

M. Clemenceau was slightly injured in a motor collision outside Paris yesterday.—(Page 7.)

Two towns on the borders of Colombia and Ecuador have been destroyed by an earthquake. The casualties are heavy.—(Page 7.)

Railway Settlement.

Sensitiveness to criticism is natural in the governors of infant States; time alone can make them pachydermatous. Curiously enough, it is not by criticism, but by commendation, that we have had the misfortune to displease President Cosgrave. Everybody knows that within recent weeks the Government was considering plans for a "self-contained" settlement of the Free State railway problem. These plans would have unified all the railways within the *Saorstat*, thus abolishing the principle of competition. They disregarded or ignored the interests of the railways of Northern Ireland and of the English railway systems which now tap the traffic of all Ireland, from Bushmills to Bantry. In our view no settlement which failed to conciliate these interests could be anything but injurious to the Free State's industry and commerce. On Thursday last, in *Dail Eireann*, President Cosgrave announced that the Free State's railway settlement could not be "self-contained." He said that it was only a small part of a large problem, that we could not afford to sever communications with the railway system of Northern Ireland, and that the Free State's railways ought to have "close working relations" with the great English railway companies. We assumed, therefore, that the scheme which ignored these necessities had been abandoned. In the statement which we print to-day the President says that the Government has not "altered its plans." He adds, however, that Northern and British railways will receive "a fair deal" from the Free State and that "close working relationships" with them will be secured. We are content to wait and see; for we set far more importance on a proper settlement of the railway question than on anybody's attempt to show that he is in the right and that we are in the wrong. Our readers will be surprised by President Cosgrave's suggestion that we have asked the Government and the country to "tolerate dictation by any foreign company" or "to make the Irish railway system subservient to any foreign interest"; and that we have implied that the Free State is not the most important factor in the settlement of its own railway problem. We have said or implied none of these things. We said—and we venture to repeat—that, even if the Free State is the most important factor, there are other factors which cannot be ignored. One of these is the Government of Northern Ireland, which controls railways that have a vital bearing on the Free State's prosperity. Others are the two great systems of English railways which hold Ireland's export and import trade, her mail services and her tourist traffic in the hollows of their hands. Some of our people may dislike these factors, but all must acknowledge their existence. Their interests must receive due consideration if their good-will is to be won for the development of the Free State's economic resources; and such consideration was lacking from the Government's recent plans. We plead merely for the recognition of facts. If "the people of the *Saorstat* have travelled far" from a "mentality" that recognises facts, we are very sorry for them.

Fascismo.

When Signor Mussolini led his famous march of the Fascisti to Rome experienced politicians shook their heads. Italy, however, and, indeed, the greater part of Europe, were carried away by the magnificent enthusiasm of the young men whose declared object was the salvation of their country. Even the castor-oil policy of some of the Fascist leaders did not shake the confidence of the nations, and when Signor Mussolini was called to office he was acclaimed throughout Europe as another Cavour. To head a revolution, however, is easy enough; to govern a country like Italy is another matter. Fortunately for Italy and for the world, Signor Mussolini proved very quickly that he was not only a revolutionary, but a statesman. He recognised immediately that Fascism, as such, had served its purpose, and that now the country's affairs must be regulated in an orderly fashion. For that reason the new Premier gained enormous popularity among the people, but he became an object of suspicion to a large section of his former comrades. He placed the interests of the Italian people before the interests of Fascismo and insisted that the government of the country must be administered by those men who were qualified most highly to govern it. He had no use for "jobbery," and he retained the best officials of the old *régime* despite the furious protests of some of his supporters.

Naturally, this display of common-sense led to various dissensions within the ranks of Fascismo. Some of its members accused Signor Mussolini of having "gone" *bourgeois* and of planning to wreck the party for his own ends. "Mussolinismo," declared Signor Farinacci, Secretary-General of the Cremona Provincial Council, "is one of the enemies of Fascismo." In other words, the extreme wing of the party believes, or professes to believe, that its leader has deserted its principles. Fascismo is divided sharply in consequence of this discontent, and Signor Mussolini is in a very difficult position. The extreme wing of the party has grown considerably in strength since the last party elections in the provinces, which gave the "ultra-Fascisti" a sweeping victory. Signor Mussolini commands the support of all the moderates, as well as of the great mass of the people, who, like the people of every other country, are tired of extremists and want to live their quiet lives. He is determined to save his country from the fanaticism of such fire-brands as Farinacci; but Fascismo is a movement of young men, and youth ever was impatient of moderation. If a newspaper dares to criticise the party, there never is a lack of volunteers who offer to burn its offices to the ground. If any person who is not a Fascist ventures an opinion on national affairs, he is lucky to escape with a mere injunction to mind his own business.

The dreams of Fascismo are not likely to be realised in a century. We believe that the movement owes its great success to the very fact that Signor Mussolini lost no time in cutting himself free from mere party shackles, and revealed himself immediately as an Italian first and a Fascist afterwards. Can he continue to preserve this attitude of mind without the sacrifice of his unparalleled authority? Already there are murmurs among the malcontents of another march on Rome, and there is no doubt at all that Signor Mussolini will have the greatest difficulty in restraining his unruly followers from taking the law into their own hands. The essential sanity of his outlook, however, encourages the hope that he will overcome the "wild men"; for the Italians are a practical people, who recognise how much they stand to lose through the folly of extremists. Not the least of Signor Mussolini's triumphs has been the respect which he has earned from the other nations of Europe, upon whose good-will, in the last analysis, Italy's whole being depends. Most sensible Italians know perfectly well that he never would have gained that respect if he had followed the counsels of the Farinaccis and turned the country into a bear-garden for the amusement of his hot-headed young men. Italy has a great destiny, but it will not be achieved by the crude methods which brought Fascismo to power. Signor Mussolini is right. Fascismo as a weapon for the destruction of a corrupt and effete system of government was an efficient thing. As an instrument for the construction and maintenance of a better system it is useless.

Crime in Dublin.

We hope that all the Government's resources will be employed to discover the murderers of Joseph Bergin. The manner of his death in County Kildare was peculiarly callous. He was a quiet, decent man, who seems to have made no enemies in his capacity of military policeman; and the known facts suggest that he was murdered for the sake of the few pounds which he may have carried on his person. The Government cannot afford to be baffled by the authors of this hideous and heartless crime, who, so long as they are at large, will be a serious menace to society. We hope that in Dublin, too, the authorities—whom, indeed, nobody could accuse of inaction—will redouble their efforts to suppress deeds of violence. A disquieting number of these offences has been reported during the past few days. We report this morning not less than four cases of robbery, or attempted robbery, by violence in the city and suburbs. In every case the robbers carried revolvers and in every case they committed their depredations without interruption or arrest. It is manifest that, in spite of the activities of the police, some thoroughly lawless and reckless persons—one recent robbery was committed within a few doors of a police station—are still at large in Dublin, and that a considerable quantity of arms and ammunition is still in dangerous hands. If robbery continues to be committed with impunity, the example may prove to be infectious, and the public may begin to lose some of the confidence with which the Government's strong action and the firm speeches of Ministers have inspired it. A feature of recent robberies has been the criminals' apparent foreknowledge of the existence of money on the persons or in the houses of their victims.

The New Censor.

A favourite among the hymns which the waits are singing is "Once in royal David's city." This was written by Mrs. Alexander, whose centenary certainly should have been remembered this year. All of us read Mrs. Alexander's pleasant and wholesome stories in our younger days. Her book of children's hymns ran into over a hundred editions, and it is said that millions of copies were sold. Gounod considered "There is a green hill far away" the finest of all English hymns, and gave Mrs. Alexander an autograph copy of his setting. Just now one of her hymns is the theme of fierce debate in municipal circles in Bath. The verses beginning, "All things bright and beautiful," appear in a hymnal issued by the local educational authority, and a Labour councillor has taken exception to the verse which speaks of—

"The rich man in his castle,
The poor man at his gate,"

as both made by God and set in their respective earthly stations by His providence. Lest the innocents of Bath should be corrupted by the notion that inequality of station has divine sanction, the Labour champion has demanded, and for the time secured, the withdrawal of the offending hymn-books. Old-fashioned people probably are growing anxious lest the new censorship should deem the New Testament dangerous literature, as containing the parable of Dives and Lazarus. Such reformers might be less sensitive about the realities of life if they possessed, in default of the historic sense, some sense of humour.

SUBJECTION AND SUBJECTIVISM.

The denial of self-government to a nation which demands it, which is *prima facie* entitled to it, and conceives itself fit for it, necessarily tends to produce a diseased mentality in the subject nation; a repressed nationality must erupt somewhere and somehow. Social evils exist in every community, whether self-governed or not. The self-governing community sets itself to the task of curing them by applying its mind to their causes. Introspection and self-criticism—these two most powerful aids to right thinking and right action—have full and free play. Publicists thrash out the problem of improving the social order in a spirit which, in the main, is one of honest endeavour. When the cause of the mischief is believed to have been found the experiment of reform is tried. It may be a failure in whole or in part; the nation benefits by the experience and begins afresh.

Such are the ordinary processes of thought and action in the self-governing country. The result, of course, is not always satisfactory; for human nature and human knowledge are imperfect; but the tendency is healthy and in an upward direction. Above all, the mistakes that are made are the mistakes of the nation itself. It cannot throw the blame upon another nation's shoulders.

The case is very different where a nation demands and is denied self-government. The elements are present that tend to demoralise the national character; the elements are absent that tend to raise and purify and strengthen it. First, the sense of injustice and irritation is an obstacle to calm and balanced reasoning. Everything is out of focus to the jaundiced eye. Secondly, as the nation is not a free agent, introspection and self-criticism are deemed to be out of place. There is no self-action to introspect or criticise. This, of course, is a fallacy; for progress and improvement are not altogether dependent upon Government action, and the people, if they make the best of it, can improve and progress; but the fallacy is a national one. Consequently no real effort at self-improvement is made.

Thirdly, experience is wanting. The best effect of experience is to show us where we go wrong, where our reasoning has been at fault, where this or that circumstance has been forgotten or not sufficiently weighed; where, in relation to our fellow-men, we have failed to make sufficient allowance for the tides and currents of human passions and failings. The nation that is governed by another has no such salutary corrective. It has not been the constructing brain or hand. It cannot see—and does not care to see, for it has no power to remedy—the faults of the construction. In all things, to be sure, it is so easy and so human and, on a superficial view, so just to put all the blame on the governing nation's shoulders.

The result is that every imperfection in the social order—poverty, unemployment, hard conditions of labour, social inequalities, existence of dishonesty and every other vice—are all ascribed to the form of government. The thoughts and emotions of the populace are at the mercy of every fanatic. The promise of every windy agitator that the millennium will arrive with self-government is taken at its face value. A profound national dishonesty is almost certain to result. Subjection produces subjectivism.

J. O'C.

BRITISH WAR PAYMENTS.

FAVOURABLE COMMENT IN AMERICA.

NEW YORK, Sunday.

Favourable comment is made on the deposit here of nearly one hundred million dollars in Liberty Bonds to cover the next British war debt instalment due to the United States.

In a leading article, the *New York Herald* says that, although the British are staggering under huge taxation, and are struggling with the unemployment problem, they "chose from the first to bear their burdens manfully. British pride, honour, and courage demanded the payment of the debt, and the debt is being paid."

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The Prince of Wales, being unable to be present, will be represented by the Duke and Duchess of York at the Christmas entertainment organised by the "Not Forgotten" Association, which will be given to-morrow, by permission of the King and Queen, in the Riding School at Buckingham Palace. Seven hundred wounded ex-Service men, who are still hospital patients, will be entertained at tea, after which there will be a musical performance and a distribution of gifts from a magnificent Christmas tree.

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Princess Mary, who has been fulfilling many engagements during the past week, opened a new Child Welfare centre at Shoreditch on Saturday. Princess Louise Duchess of Argyll made an interesting speech when opening the exhibition of paintings which has been arranged in the Northern Court of the Victoria and Albert Museum, South Kensington. The exhibits include examples of the work of past students of the Royal College of Art, many of whom are now famous artists.

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The King of Norway and the Crown Prince Olaf will embark at Christiania to-morrow for England, and on arrival will join Queen Maud at Appleton House, King's Lynn, where they will spend Christmas, and will probably remain until the middle of January. Queen Maud has been out hunting several times lately, and has enjoyed some good runs with the West Norfolk Hounds.

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The Duke of Orleans has arrived in London from Brussels. The Marchesa della Torretta, wife of the Italian Ambassador, has returned to London from Rome. The Duke of Richmond and Gordon will leave London to-day for Goodwood, where he will have a small family party for Christmas. The Duchess of Norfolk and Lady Rachel Howard have left Norfolk House for Arundel Castle. The Duke and Duchess of Roxburghe are going North to-morrow and will spend Christmas at Floors Castle. Susan Duchess of Somerset will leave London to-day for Maiden Bradley, where she will remain over Christmas and the New Year.

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The Marquis of Headfort, who was one of Sir Thomas Stafford's party last week at Rockingham, left on Saturday for London. Sir Bryan Mahon left Dublin last week to join Lady Mahon at Kibworth, Leicestershire, where they will spend Christmas. The Earl of Enniskillen has arrived at Cannes, and will be the guest of Mr. Reid Walker for some weeks. Lady Denys Burton has arrived at Pollacton Hall, Carlow, where she will spend the winter.

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Lord Langford celebrated his twenty-ninth birthday yesterday. In 1919 he succeeded his father as fifth holder of the Barony, which in 1800 was conferred on the Hon. Clotworthy Taylour, fourth son of the first Earl of Bective, who later assumed the surname of Rowley. The present peer is unmarried. His only brother, the Hon. George Cecil Rowley, was killed in action in 1917, and the heir presumptive is his uncle, Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon. William C. Rowley, of The Hermitage, Uxbridge.

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Viscountess Maitland will leave London shortly after Christmas for Palm Beach, U.S.A., where she will remain for three months. Lord and Lady Rayleigh have returned from Paris to Terling Place, Essex. Lady and Miss Wallace have left Ardnamona, Co. Donegal, and will spend the next three months in Dublin. Lord Arthur Hill has arrived at Hillsborough Castle from London.

To meet the present need for economy, Switzers, 88 Grafton street, have opened additional workrooms, where they are reproducing, under personal supervision, about thirty smart French Gowns, reserved to be copied at from 6½ guineas to 13 guineas, at which price their usual collection starts, the well-known standard of which will always be scrupulously maintained.

Charming Collection of Fur Coats, Fur-trimmed Coats and Stoles, suitable for Christmas Presents, at Switzers.

Switzers New Restaurant, second floor, 90 Grafton street, entrance also by Débutante Gallery, to which two lifts operate continuously during the day. The Restaurant will remain open until 6 p.m. on Saturdays.

Delightful Dance Frocks for Christmas Festivities.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 George's street.

Christmas Gifts—The useful and practical. Hundreds to select from at Holmes', George's street.

Robert's Christmas Gift Exhibition of Fashion and Fancy Novelties, Useful Household Articles, and an abundance of Good Toys is worth an early visit.—Grafton street.

Beautiful Collection of Afternoon and Evening Gowns in exclusive styles, in Velvet, Silk, and Crepe-de-chine. Charming range of colours.—Robert and Co., Ltd., Grafton st.

Sofa and Chair Cushions, Pouffes, Box Seats, Coseys, Pin Cushions, Hand-embroidered Cushion and Cosey Covers. Good taste combined with reasonable prices.—Robert and Co., 80/83 Grafton street.

Blouses as Christmas Presents. We are reducing all our French Blouses for this week. Campbell and Strahan, Ltd., 11 Wicklow st.

Special Christmas Sale this week at Madame Renée's, Harry st. (off Grafton st.).

Millinery Models all reduced to clear before stocktaking. Must be cleared.—Robert and Co., Ltd., 80/83 Grafton street.

Grand Hotel, Greystones, for Christmas week. Gala Dinners, Fancy Dress Ball, Carnival Dances.

Sale—Tuesday and Wednesday next, 18th and 19th December.—Barry, 25 Stephen's Green.

The "Geisha" Café, South King street, adjoining Gaiety Theatre—When Christmas shopping call for hot luncheons, good teas, home-made cakes and scones, chocolates. Real good value.

Useful Presents for the Kiddies. Some Dainty Frocks for the Christmas Parties, sizes 18" to 24", special price, 7s. 11d., at Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton st. and 1 and 2 Harry st.

New Coat for Christmas in cinnamon jacquard velours, with sable dyed fur collar, for 8¼ gns. at Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton st.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals:—O. Enraght Mooney, Frank Wynne, Mr. and Mrs. Monty Slattery, Miss Norah Slattery, Mrs. D. Perrott, A. Richardson, W. A. Sawyer, H. D. Morton, Miss Olive Wilson, Miss Joan Wilson, Dr. J. Kerr, George Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Grainger, Miss B. Cairnes, Traill Ross.

Gift Exhibition and Toy Fair now open at McBirney's.

"Our Boys'" House—The Noted Juvenile Clothiers and Outfitters. Large Selection Reliable Goods. Prices moderate—34 Wicklow street.

Warm Underclothing—We are agents for the famous makes, "Jaeger," "Chilprufe," and "Pesco" Underclothing at keenest prices.—Robert and Co., Ltd., Grafton street.

Special three weeks' Sale of Winter Boots and Shoes, held up by port trouble. Great Bargains to effect speedy clearance.—Doyle and Son, Ltd., 38 Mary street, Dublin.

Gibson and Co., Ladies' Tailors, Specialists in designing and cutting. All models made on the premises. Inspection invited—141 Lr. Baggot st.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Ireland. — *Wind westerly to south-westerly, strong at times; some rain; visibility moderate; mild.*

South-West Seaboard, Mouth of Channel to South-West Ireland. — *Wind westerly, fresh; sea moderate; variable sky; slight occasional drizzle; mist in places.*

Irish Sea and St. George's Channel. — *Wind westerly, strong at times; sea rather rough; some showers; visibility good.*

North-West Seaboard, Northern Ireland to Hebrides. — *Wind westerly to south-westerly, strong; sea rather rough; some rain; visibility moderate to good.*

Dixon and Hempenstall, Barometers and Forecasters, 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt)

BAROMETER.

Dublin—Saturday, 1 p.m.				30.30
" Sunday, 3 p.m.				30.40

SUN.

To-day ... Rises	8.33	Sets		4. 7
To-morrow ... "	8.36	"		4. 7
Lighting-up Time				5. 7

HIGH WATER.

DUBLIN.

To-day ... Morning	6.55	Afternoon		7.17
To-morrow ...	7.34			8.15

BELFAST.

To-day ... Morning	6.40	Afternoon		6.57
To-morrow ...	7.17			7.36

QUEENSTOWN.

To-day ... Morning	0.37	Afternoon		1. 1
To-morrow ...	1.35			2.11

LONDON LETTER.

LIBERAL POLICY.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON, SUNDAY NIGHT.

There is still a good deal of doubt as to what will happen when Parliament meets in January. Some indication as to the probabilities may be given when Mr. Asquith addresses the new Liberal members of Parliament on Tuesday. It is noteworthy that Mr. Lloyd George, though he has accepted Mr. Asquith as his leader, has already made public his own views of the proper course for the Liberal Party to take. In his opinion, they ought to support a vote of "no confidence" in the present Administration as soon as Parliament meets, and then help a Labour Government to take office.

Mr. Lloyd George may have consulted Mr. Asquith before making this pronouncement, which, in that case, the latter on Tuesday will endorse in his own language. On the other hand, it is possible that Mr. Lloyd George may have been indulging in the manœuvre more than once employed by Mr. Joseph Chamberlain against his nominal chief, Mr. Gladstone, and may have brought forward "an unauthorised programme" in advance of the official policy of the party. If so, it is possible that Tuesday's meeting may produce instead of a warm welcome, a douche of cold water, and an intimation that the Liberals had better defer a decision as to their tactics until the House actually has met.

Sir John Simon.

The speech of Sir John Simon is also being awaited with some curiosity. It is generally believed that Sir John regards himself as the political heir-presumptive of Mr. Asquith, and is not particularly overjoyed at the return of Mr. Lloyd George to the official fold. If the latter has been trying to jump Mr. Asquith's claim, he probably will get a repressive pat, which, though delivered by a velvet paw, will have a suspicion of claw behind it.

Lord Birkenhead's View.

On this occasion Lord Birkenhead differs *in toto* from his quondam crony of the Coalition. Writing in the *Sunday Times*, he declares that the supposed inevitability of a Socialist Government is "the most astonishing, the most irrational, and the most cowardly assumption which experienced politicians have ever made." In his opinion it would be the gravest mistake to give the Labour Party, which "is committed to a policy of wholesale bribery, a chance of bringing in a Budget which, whether defeated or not, would almost certainly strengthen its hold upon the industrial classes."

Lord Birkenhead would avert this danger either by getting Mr. Asquith to support a Conservative Government, provided that it agreed to drop its tariff campaign, or, failing that, by giving Conservative support to Mr. Asquith, whose "sagacity, Parliamentary experience, honesty of purpose, and moderation of view command the admiration of many who do not belong to his own political party."

Labour's Attitude.

The only point upon which no doubt need be entertained is the attitude of the Labour Party itself. It means to take office if it can get it. Mr. Sidney Webb, who has long been the power behind the scenes in Labour politics, writing to the *New Statesman*, says that, if Mr. Baldwin is defeated, and the King sends for the leader of the Opposition, the latter must form a Government, however difficult the task may be, for "a party numbering only 31 *per cent.* of the House of Commons, and less than 1 *per cent.* of the House of Lords." He adds that the Labour Party, having regard to the spirit in which it envisages both administration and legislation, "could not possibly without denial of its own faith accept any position of coalition, or partnership, or conditional alliance with any person, group, or party not possessing the same spirit."

The Next Election.

Conservative leaders in London have received very gratifying testimony as to the prospects which candidates believe they hold for the next appeal to the country. Without being canvassed or invited, many of the defeated candidates have offered to stand again whenever called upon. The decision to meet Parliament as a Government has given general satisfaction, and there is no sign of down-heartedness in the ranks of the Conservatives. Many of them are convinced as a result of further investigations since the election that the dear food cry was the main factor in the contests which were lost. The fifteen million who voted included a large proportion of the nine million women on the register, and it is generally held that on this occasion the majority of the women who voted against the Government were solely influenced by the tariff proposals.

The West Derby Election.

Lord Hartington's position in West Derbyshire, where the polling takes place on Thursday next, is a little embarrassed by the fact that in his address—issued before the general election—he described himself as a whole-hearted supporter of Mr. Baldwin's tariff policy. In spite of its having been rejected at the polls, he maintains his faith in it, and in a recent speech declared his conviction that it would ultimately be adopted, "particularly when the people see our trade going to foreign countries." In this connection it is worth noting that the Glasgow Corporation, which had provisionally accepted an American tender for the supply of tramway material, on the ground that it was the lowest, has since, on the initiation of the Labour members of the Corporation, transferred its acceptance to the lowest British tender.

A Big Contract.

The contracts for steel rails, which have been placed to the extent of £1,000,000 during the past few days by the London, Midland and Scottish Railway will be followed by several other large orders in connection with the maintenance and reconstruction of the railway at a cost of something like £14,000,000. Orders for new rolling stock placed by the railway companies will run into a large figure, and as the work proceeds the unemployment figures should soon undergo a considerable change in the right direction.

German Toys.

The flood of German toys is as great, or greater, now than in pre-war years. The shops are full of them, and huge stocks remain in the warehouses. It has now become a question whether the importation has not been over-done. Many ingenious descriptions of mechanical playthings have been introduced, and the tin soldier and toy cannon have both been relegated to a very minor position. Clockwork and electrically propelled trains have already been sold in enormous quantities, and the prices at which they are offered are such as to render competition by British makers impossible. The trains no longer consist merely of an engine and a couple of carriages, but in many instances include such additions as signal boxes, stations, rails with working points, and tunnels. The children have never been so well catered for, and the only regret is that our own workers have not been employed in their manufacture.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE INDISPOSED.

The *Daily Express* says Mr. Lloyd George was confined to his house at Churt, Surrey, with a heavy cold during the week-end. He hopes to be well enough to attend the Liberal meeting to-morrow.

We live in a most beautiful, mysterious universe.—Sir Oliver Lodge.

M. POINCARE'S REPLY.

REPARATIONS OR THE RUHR?

GERMAN CASE.

HERR VON HOESCH SEES FRENCH PREMIER.

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent.
LONDON, Sunday.

The Allied Governments and diplomats are apparently anxious at the moment that the future of the Ruhr and the Rhineland should be regarded as one distinct issue and reparations as another.

Germany, on the other hand, is naturally eager that the effect on reparations of the occupation of the Ruhr should be considered.

France takes the view that any communication on reparations should be addressed to the Reparations Commission, and the whole tendency of both the French and British Governments is to leave this body undisturbed in the full execution of its powers.

Great Britain's attitude seems governed by the fact that, while she is vitally interested in the question of reparations, she had no part in the occupation of the Ruhr.

The proposed creation of the new committees of experts to investigate Germany's finances has greatly strengthened the position of the Reparations Commission, and there is a disinclination to over-ride its authority in any way.

Therefore, it will probably be found that M. Poincaré will strive to limit his discussions with Germany simply to some such question as the economic agreements in the Ruhr.

There is a feeling in London, however, that negotiations, once begun, will continue, and it remains to be seen how long it will be possible to keep the Ruhr and reparations in watertight compartments.

THE INTERVIEW.

DOOR NOT CLOSED TO NEGOTIATIONS.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
From Our Own Correspondent.
PARIS, Sunday.

Herr von Hoesch, the German *Chargé d'Affaires*, called on M. Poincaré yesterday morning, and acquainted him with the desire of his Government to enter into negotiations on the subject of the *régime*—present and future—in the Ruhr and the Rhineland. The interview lasted only a quarter of an hour.

At the request of the French statesman, the German representative later in the day left for him at the *Quai d'Orsay* a written statement setting forth the objects aimed at by his Government, and its proposals for their realisation.

The conversation, though the general subject of reparations was broached, was given mainly to the occupied territories.

It is clear, however, that in the view of Dr. Marx's Government it is there that is to be found the crux of the whole problem to be solved between Germany and the Allies.

The solution, including the raising of money for reparations, cannot, says Berlin, be found until Germany has again become economically one and able to draw upon the Ruhr once more as a main source of her wealth. The alternative, as presented to France, is, in fact, that of releasing the Ruhr in order to make reparations possible, or hopelessly postponing reparations while persisting in the attempt to make the so-called pledges seized a year ago really productive.

French opinion is divided as to the prospects of this. In the German view they are certainly less substantial than they were, and it is believed in Berlin that even the contracts just signed between the French and the great industrialists must remain a dead letter without Berlin's help. What is proposed, therefore, is that the French should agree to restore the normal administration of the Ruhr and the Rhineland. According to statements attributed to German circles here, it is not intended at the moment to raise again the juridical of France's presence, or to ask for evacuation, but simply to try to obtain such modifications—including the removal of the Customs barrier into unoccupied Germany—and to allow the Berlin Government to collect taxes and the invested territories to help in the restoration of the country.

As this last is the object also of France and Belgium, and as it cannot be brought about under present conditions, the reasonable thing now is, in the German opinion, a *modus vivendi*, carrying with it the necessary relaxation.

To this M. Poincaré replied generally at yesterday's interview that, while he was ready to hear any proposals from the German Government, there could be no question of the abandonment of the Franco-Belgian policy of pledges, or with doing away with the local authorities installed by the occupying Powers.

Last evening he drafted a formal reply to Herr von Hoesch's Note, and the text was communicated to the Belgian Government, which is reported already at an agreement with France on the main points.

The German Government will be informed that all representations on the subject of the administration of the Ruhr and the Rhineland should be addressed in the first case to the Franco-Belgian authorities, and in the second to the Inter-Allied High Commission.

It is, however, evidently not intended to close the door upon negotiations.

Through her *Chargé d'Affaires*, Germany suggested yesterday the setting up of a small committee to discuss the terms of the proposed *modus vivendi*. He will be told that any negotiations entered into on the subjects of the occupation, the resumption of work, and similar questions can be dealt with in the ordinary diplomatic way in Paris and Brussels.

The German Government, as appears from the statement of its representative in Brussels to M. Jaspar yesterday, had intended to make its present *demarche*, should it be successful, the first step towards more general negotiations to cover the whole ground of reparations.

The two Governments are expected to reply that, in regard to the latter, the Reparation Commission, on which all the Allies are represented, is the only competent body.

This fresh attempt on the part of Germany is discussed hopefully in some quarters, but in others, while Germany is declared to be at the end of her resources, it is still said that her chief aim is to draw France on to hollow ground.

EUROPE'S DICTATOR.

GERMAN VIEW OF THE INTERVIEW.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
From Our Own Correspondent.
BERLIN, Sunday.

The hope is entertained here that the German diplomatic steps yesterday in Paris and Brussels may produce the much-needed "clarity" on the problems of the Rhineland and the Ruhr.

The question Germany wants answered is: "Does France want reparations or security?" and it is contended that, without a satisfactory reply, Germany will be unable to put her finances in order or pay the Allies.

The opinion is expressed that owing to the lack of an effective Government, Great Britain's influence in Europe is now "practically null," and that in the vital negotiations which opened yesterday her part for the next month, at least, must be rather a small one.

"France is now Europe's unchallenged dictator, and we must make our peace with her," comments one newspaper.

ARMED ROBBERIES.

SEVERAL CASES REPORTED IN DUBLIN.

Activities on the part of robbers were reported from various quarters of Dublin during the week-end.

Early on Saturday morning the licensed premises at 20 Wood quay had the attention of some men who broke a skylight, and demanded that the door should be opened to them. After vainly trying to force the door, they fired eight revolver shots through the lock and then departed.

The premises of Messrs. John Wallis and Sons, Empress terrace, Portland row, were entered by two men, who displayed arms, and seized a sum of money from the clerk in charge.

Near his home at Millmount place, Drumcondra, Mr. F. P. McMahon, employed by Messrs. H. McNally and Co., was accosted by a man who produced a revolver and made him go into a laneway, where, with the assistance of another armed man, the assailant took from him a sum of £50, which he had just collected in payment on a contract, as well as his small cash and his personal belongings and papers. After ordering Mr. McMahon not to raise an alarm, the robbers made off. They are said to be men of thirty years of age or less, and the police have a description of their apparel. As, however, the men wore masks, the particulars for identification are not complete.

From Dean's Grange, near Monkstown, where robberies were frequent during the period of disorder, it is reported that robbers visited the house of Mr. Daniel Livingstone, 161 Dean's Grange, at about four o'clock yesterday morning, and seized money to the amount of more than £23. Mr. Livingstone is secretary of a burial society, and when he opened the door in response to knocking, three young men who stepped in demanded to know where the funds were kept. He said that he did not keep the money in the house. All three men were armed, and Mr. Livingstone was compelled to remain quiet while the house was searched and the money, found hidden in two glass bowls, taken up. It is stated that after finding the money the men sat at a table and drank whiskey, and before departing sprinkled inflammable liquid on the floors and stairs and set fire to the place. Mr. Livingstone obtained the assistance of a neighbour and extinguished the flames.

BURGLARIES IN BELFAST.

Burglars broke into a shed belonging to Mr. D. K. Johnston, 159 Lisburn road, Belfast, early on Saturday morning, and carried off a safe containing about £60. The offices of Messrs. J. P. Corry and Co., Ltd., Henry street, were entered and £34 taken from the safe, which was badly damaged before it could be opened.

Messrs. Hogden and Park's publichouse, in Earl street, was entered and some whiskey stolen.

THE IRISH RAILWAYS.

PRESIDENT COSGRAVE AND "FOREIGN INTERESTS."

The Publicity Office of the Free State Government has sent us the following statement by President Cosgrave:—

"My attention has been called to a leader on the subject of Irish railways in Saturday's issue of the *Irish Times*, in which that journal takes credit for having converted the Government on this question.

"The Government has not altered its plans for the reorganisation of the railways, and neither it nor the public of the Saorstat will tolerate dictation by any foreign company or any particular interest in the propounding of such plans. We have not secured our political independence at the cost of so much loss and suffering to surrender now our economic independence or any part of it. The Government will deal with the unification of the railways on the lines of my recent statement in the Dail, but in securing close working relationships with neighbouring systems we are not prepared to make the Irish railway system subservient to any foreign interest. The trade of the Saorstat is quite sufficiently attractive to command the respectful attention of carrying corporations, whether in Great Britain or elsewhere, and in giving them a fair deal, as we intend to do, we have no doubt that we shall receive a fair deal in return. Interested talk of 'grave peril' will not affect the Government in presenting the problem in detail to the Oireachtas or in recommending a solution of the merits of which the Irish people, now masters in their own house, will be the judge.

"The *Irish Times* assumes that the Government have proposed that the Irish railways should prosper 'apart from the smoothest and most intimate co-operation with the railway system of Northern Ireland and with the great railway companies of England.' Such co-operation exists to-day, and its maintenance has always been intended by the Government. If it is 'endangered,' it is not by the Government.

"The conclusion of the *Irish Times*, that in the question of the re-organisation of the Saorstat railways the Government of the Saorstat is only one out of the three parties, and not by any means the most important, indicates a mentality from which the people of the Saorstat have travelled far."

LORD WILLOUGHBY DE BROKE DEAD.

PEER WHO ACTED AS SANITARY INSPECTOR.

From Our Own Correspondent.
LONDON, Sunday.

The Peerage has lost its most picturesque and original character by the death, at the age of 54, of Lord Willoughby de Broke, which took place at his London residence, Gilbert street, Grosvenor square, yesterday morning, after a brief illness. He is succeeded by his son, the Hon. J. H. P. Verney, born in 1896. From 1895 to 1900 he was Conservative member for the Rugby Division of Warwickshire, and took a leading part amongst the Peers against the Liberal proposals for the House of Lords and land reform.

To get inside knowledge of the conditions of underground factories and workshops he disguised himself as a sanitary inspector, and inspected some of them. Later, in moving the second reading in the House of Lords of the Factory and Workshops No. 2 Bill, he declared that he had seen enough to convince him that the law needed strengthening. He was an amateur actor of talent and a fearless rider to hounds. He had been M.F.H. of the Warwickshires since 1900, and wrote "Hunting the Fox" and "The Sport of Our Ancestors."

During the war he commanded the Warwickshire Yeomanry 2nd Line Regiment.

RARE IRISH BIRD IN THE "ZOO."

A newly-arrived inmate of the Dublin Zoological Gardens that will be looked at with special interest by those who visit the Gardens during the coming week is a very beautiful example of the rough-legged buzzard (*Buteo lagopus*)—a bird of such rare occurrence in Ireland that only seventeen instances are on record of its having previously been met with. The specimen now in the "Zoo" was taken a few days ago in County Wicklow, and would seem to have been preying on the rabbits round Lough Dan until it had the misfortune to be taken in a trap on the lands of Miss Archer, of Ballinrush, near Roundwood. Being readily recognised by its captor (Mr. Brady) as a rare bird, it was conveyed to Dublin by Mr. Richard Archer, and naturally excited much interest on its arrival in the Gardens. It is in particularly fine plumage, and is seen to the best effect when it takes wing. It is believed to be an adult bird.

The natural home of this buzzard is in Scandinavia and Russia, in which countries it preys extensively on the lemmings, not, however, neglecting choice leverets, rabbits, mice or moles. It is a larger bird than the so-called "common" buzzard, which it resembles in many of its habits; and from its size it is frequently—on the occasions of its visits to England—reported in the newspapers as an eagle.

PREACHER DIES ON HIS WAY TO CHURCH.

The *Westminster Gazette* says:—While going to his preaching appointment at Leicester yesterday, Mr. William Barzett, aged 45, a student at Nottingham Theological College, was taken ill and died before medical aid could be obtained. His home was in South Wales.

U.S. IMMIGRATION SCANDAL.

ENGLISH WOMAN'S DEATH AT ELLIS ISLAND.

PITIFUL OUTCOME OF RED-TAPE METHODS.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
From Our Own Correspondent.
NEW YORK, Sunday.

Mrs. Bert Dodge, 33, the wife of a former Liverpool bricklayer, died at the Ellis Island Immigration Station on Thursday under circumstances which are arousing deep and wide-spread indignation.

Mrs. Dodge, with her baby, Kathleen, arrived here on the Cunard liner Samaria last Monday, and, as the British "quota" had been exceeded, she was refused admission, though it was known that her husband had a home waiting for her in Boston, where he had made plans for a happy Christmas reunion after a year of separation.

Mr. Dodge, hearing of his wife's plight, arrived in New York on Thursday morning, and was admitted to the immigration station, there to find his wife dying from pneumonia, contracted, it is stated, through exposure to the inclement weather while awaiting admission to the country.

The poor woman died shortly after greeting her husband. For a time grave fears were entertained for the life of the baby, which was suffering from bronchitis.

For a while the immigration authorities refused the father permission to take the suffering child away, but the British Consul-General was communicated with, and, after a painful delay, Mr. Curran, the Immigration Commissioner, telephoned instructions that the father should be permitted to remove the child.

There seems no doubt whatever that Mrs. Dodge contracted her fatal illness through exposure, and her detention on Ellis Island, notwithstanding that the Cunard officials at Liverpool had given assurances that she would enter the United States as a visitor for six months, is universally condemned. Rigid adherence to "red tape," it is pointed out, cost the poor woman her life.

As the result of representations made by the British Consul-General in New York, the Cunard Company, and the bereaved husband to the Commissioner-General of Immigration, a searching investigation of all the facts connected with the death of Mrs. Dodge will be made.

POLISH CABINET RESIGNS

CHURCH LANDS LEGISLATION UNPOPULAR.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
From Our Own Correspondent.
RIGA, Sunday.

The Polish Cabinet has resigned owing to the agrarian proposals put forward by M. Wito having met with uncompromising opposition in the Diet.

The retiring Ministers had proposed that monastery and Church lands should be declared the property of the State, but not only the Opposition, but members of the Government Party, strongly disapproved of the step.

M. Thugutt has been entrusted with the task of forming a Government.

INDIAN OUTLOOK.

LORD READING ON NEED OF GOOD-WILL.

CALCUTTA, Saturday.

Lord Reading, speaking at a dinner given this evening by the European Association, reviewed the main events of the year. Referring to the certification of the Salt Tax, he said that the months which had since passed only served to convince him that the financial situation fully justified his action.

Referring to the Imperial Conference, Lord Reading emphasised that it had given prominence to the great place awaiting India in the Empire, and had also served to dispel the illusion that Indian affairs were exclusively controlled by an unsympathetic and indifferent Secretary of State.

India was deeply indebted to the Maharajah of Alwar and Sir Tej Barridar Sapru, but all would admit that their presentation of India's case had been immeasurably assisted by Lord Peel's great speech.

Dealing with internal politics, the Viceroy alluded to the Provincial Councils, and trusted that their close association with the work of the Administration would eventually result in increased sobriety of judgment and greater regard for more peaceful and surer methods of progress. His Excellency hoped that the differences between them and the Government would be solved by mutual good-will and the desire for India's welfare.—(Reuter.)

MR. DAS IN POWER.

LORD LYTTON'S LATEST STEP.

CALCUTTA, Sunday.

Lord Lytton's action in calling upon Mr. C. R. Das, the Swarajist leader, to form a Government owing to the issue of the provincial elections, is diversely commented on by the Calcutta newspapers according to the particular shade of opinion they represent.

The *Statesman* says:—Lord Lytton's action in inviting Mr. Das, the avowed enemy of British administration, to nominate all the Ministers may prove a death blow to the constitutional party.

The *Amrita Bazar Patrika*, while considering that Lord Lytton has taken the only constitutional course, says that he is seeking to transfer the responsibility for wrecking the Constitution from his own to Swarajist shoulders.

The *Bengalee* considers that Lord Lytton has entirely changed the orientation of British rule in India, and has laid the foundation of England's Empire here on a very stable basis.—(Reuter.)

ITALIAN ENTERPRISE.

ECONOMIC POSITION TO BE IMPROVED.

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent.
LONDON, Sunday.

Italy's determination to do all in her power to improve her economic position will probably form one of the most striking features of the European situation during the coming year. The important trade concessions obtained in Russia are the result of one phase of this policy. The same resolve to secure commercial advantages wherever possible finds expression in the new *Entente* with Spain.

I am informed that Italy hopes to turn this to considerable profit, not merely by developing her trade with Spain, but by enlarging her sphere of economic influence in the Latin Americas. Italian enterprise aims at exploiting still further the rich, natural resources of these countries, and at the same time increasing the flow of immigrants from Italy. For years past immigration to Brazil has stood at a very high figure. Important commercial results in South America are expected to be among the first fruits of the Italian-Spanish *Entente*.

It is interesting to add, as a pendant to this, that a suggestion has been made on high authority that Spain herself should actually import labour from Italy to develop the waste lands of Aragon.

LIBERALISM AND LABOUR.

The *Westminster Gazette* says:—If the Labour Party, which could at any time be defeated by the Tory vote alone, and would, therefore, require assiduous Liberal support in every division to enable it to do anything at all, chooses deliberately to challenge Liberal hostility from the very beginning, its capacity to do useful work will be nil. In that case some other Government less concerned with tactics and more alive to the needs of the country would have to take over the responsibility. But we trust that the present mood of ill-temper, which is manifesting itself even in the highest Labour quarters, will pass as the election recedes into the past, and that Labour will come to Westminster determined to do its best and to seek what help it can obtain.

M. CLEMENCEAU IN MOTOR SMASH.

EX-PREMIER SLIGHTLY INJURED.

PARIS, Sunday.

M. Clemenceau, the French ex-Premier, was slightly injured in a motor car accident this afternoon. He was returning to Paris when his car collided on St. Germain-en-Laye road with another car. All the windows in M. Clemenceau's car were smashed, and he himself was injured on the tip of the nose and forehead by flying splinters of glass.

M. Clemenceau was taken to hospital at St. Germain-en-Laye, where his wounds were stitched. He was later conveyed to his residence in another car.

At eleven o'clock to-night reports of his condition were favourable, and it was stated that he had not yet taken to his bed. There is no fever, and it is hoped that the ex-Premier's complete return to health will only be the matter of a few days.—(Reuter.)

GREEK ELECTIONS.

FAILURE OF BOYCOTT ORBER.

ATHENS, Sunday.

The long-expected elections, which have given rise to so many controversies, are taking place to-day. So far, perfect order has prevailed, and seems likely to continue to prevail.

The Opposition leaders' campaign against the elections, judging by the numbers polling, is not having the expected result. The leaders themselves are abstaining, but it does not look as if the bulk of their followers were obeying the boycott order. Party feeling is obviously running higher among the upper classes than among the masses, the majority of whom are tired of politics, and merely long for a return to normal conditions whatever Government may be in power.

It is a generally accepted fact that many Royalists are voting to-day for M. Venizelos, whom they consider the only politician qualified to extricate Greece from the present *impasse*, and, moreover, the great Cretan's adversaries have been very favourably impressed by his moderation on the dynastic question.

A statement by Colonel Gonatas, the Prime Minister, appears in the newspapers to-day. It is to the effect that if the Liberals win, and M. Venizelos is returned, it would be the King's duty to endeavour to persuade M. Venizelos to assume the Premiership.

Another interesting piece of news is that Colonel Gonatas yesterday begged the King not to take any notice of the rumours spread by scaremongers about an "upheaval," "*coup d'etat*," etcetera, taking place to-day, as the Government has taken measures to make any such eventuality impossible.—(Reuter.)

A TRAGEDY OF THE SEA.

BOATFUL OF DEAD.

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA, Sunday.

A coastguard cutter reports that she has picked up a boat, in which were six dead men, from the Norwegian steamer Runa, which foundered on Saturday off the Frying Pan shoals.

The tanker Mills picked up another boat with four men. These are believed to be the only survivors of the crew of twenty-two. The Runa was bound from Hanava to Liverpool.—(Reuter.)

CANTON CUSTOMS.

DR. SUN YAT SEN'S CLAIM.

HONG KONG, Sunday.

The Consular Body at Canton met on the 12th inst. to receive Peking's diplomatic body's telegraphic reply to Dr. Sun Yat Sen's communication to the Canton Consuls regarding the taking over of the Canton Customs. The commanders of foreign gunboats were also present.

It is stated that the reply was evasive. After the meeting the Consular Corps addressed a communication to the Commander of Dr. Sun Yat Sen's troops, warning the Commander to use caution in the handling of his men, and that he should not use force for the occupation of the Customs House, as the matter was now within the sphere of diplomacy.

There is a report, so far unconfirmed, that Dr. Sun Yat Sen has notified the Commissioner of Customs that the latter and his staff could leave, since the Canton Government does not recognise them and intends to replace them with men of its own selection.—(Reuter.)

DISCHARGED SOLDIERS.

UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT IN THE NORTH.

With reference to the statement made by Mr. Hogan on behalf of the Free State Government in regard to the unemployment benefit of ex-members of the Free State Army returning to Northern Ireland on discharge, it is officially stated in Belfast that the position is as follows:—

"In July, 1923, an Act was passed through the Free State Parliament without consultation either with the Imperial or Northern Government, fundamentally altering as respects the Free State area the Unemployment Insurance provisions up till then common to Great Britain, Northern Ireland and the Free State. Payment of uncovenanted benefit in the Free State area was discontinued, and considerable alteration was made in the conditions under which covenanted benefit was payable.

"Again, under this Act, the Free State Parliament provided that service with their armed forces was, for the purposes of the Unemployment Insurance Acts, uninsurable employment, and the normal insurance contributions have not been paid by the Free State Government in respect of their soldiers for their period of service in the Army. This step is in direct contradiction to the practice of both the Imperial and Northern Governments, who pay unemployment contributions in respect of their soldiers and Special Constabulary respectively sufficient to entitle them to adequate unemployment insurance benefit on their discharge from service."

THE NEXT WAR.

GAS MASKS BY THE MILLION.

The *Daily Express* says:—The suggestion made by the Pastor of the City Temple yesterday, that Woolwich Arsenal is working overtime on the task of making gas masks by the million, so that men, women, and children may be protected against the poison gases of air raids in the future, is startling in view of the protestations of so many amiable people that there is no possibility of a recurrence of war in our generation. We all truly hope that this generation and many succeeding ones will be spared the horrors which we ourselves have experienced, but it is just as well that we should be prepared for them, and so mitigate them. In the last war we were wholly unprepared. Let Woolwich, therefore, speed up its making of gas masks. We hope they will never be needed, but it will be a comfort to know if they are ever required that for once Great Britain trusted nothing to chance. And, while we are about it, let us look to our air defences.

RECENT WILLS.

Mr. Robert Hardy Lawrie, late of Craig, Royston, Cultra, Co. Down, retired officer of Excise, who died in September last, left personal estate in England and Northern Ireland valued at £905 17s. 6d.

Mr. James McAnerney, of 90 Short Strand, Belfast, who took a prominent part in arranging local boxing tournaments and was a keen critic of football, and who died in September last, left personal estate in England and Northern Ireland valued at £2,191 12s. 11d.

The Very Rev. Canon Alexander Eaton, of St. Jarlath's College, Tuam, of which he had been President since 1914, and who died in May last, left trust property in England valued at £294.

375 MILES AN HOUR.

SPEED OF NEW "ROCKET" AEROPLANE.

DUBLIN TO LONDON IN 50 MINUTES.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
From Our Own Correspondent.
PARIS, Sunday.

Experiments are reported to have succeeded here with a new type of aeroplane capable of attaining a minimum speed of 375 miles an hour. There is no propeller.

The principle is stated to be that employed in a rocket, and an evening paper publishes its notice under the heading "The First Rocket 'Plane."

A liquid cheaper and less inflammable than petrol is used. Air is aspirated through valves in an explosion chamber in front of the pilot, and the gas is directed into an exhaust of special form, where its enormous pressure is reduced, and where it forms a reservoir of energy.

It is the reaction produced in the air by its release through a special device that propels the machine.

Official trials are already spoken of. The inventor, M. Melot, claims that his motor will make it possible to reach London from Paris in 35 minutes, or from Dublin in about 50 minutes.

MISSING AIRMAN.

CLUES IN WRECKAGE FOUND ON SEA SHORE.

During the week-end a sharp look-out has been kept by coastguards from Hastings to Dungeness for any trace of Mr. Lawrence Sperry, the missing American airman.

Yesterday morning the Hastings coastguard found at a spot known as Haddocks Hole, one and a half miles from Fairlight, a piece of fuselage three feet six inches long and painted grey, and which is obviously a piece of Mr. Sperry's aeroplane.

There is a mystery, however, surrounding two larger pieces which were found on the shore near by, and must have come from a much larger machine. One of these pieces is a strut six feet long, with the varnish still on it, and the other is a piece of a wing, with shreds of canvas attached, measuring five feet six inches. These portions cannot be from Mr. Sperry's aeroplane, the struts and wings of which were intact.

To-day an aeroplane will make a reconnaisance along the coast in search of Sperry's body.

SELF-STEERING SHIPS.

BRITISH LINER WITHOUT A HELMSMAN.

The Cunard liner Laconia is now on her way across the Atlantic from New York to Liverpool without a helmsman on the bridge. She is the first British liner to be equipped with a wonderful new invention, by means of which ships of the future will be able to travel hundreds of miles, unaided by a quartermaster, without deviating from their intended course.

The gyro pilot is the most startling of the many remarkable mechanical devices which in recent years have made the bridge of the great ocean-going liners a scientific wonderland. As its name implies, the gyro pilot has nothing to do with the theory of wireless steering from the land.

The Laconia left New York on Thursday, and is now well on her way to Liverpool.

The gyro pilot is controlled by the gyro compass. This compass passes all alterations of the ship's head to other compasses, working in conjunction with the latest wireless direction finders on the bridge and other parts of the ship.

One of these repeater compasses is mounted on the gyro pilot; and immediately the ship's head changes its direction the information is passed to an electric motor, which turns the steering wheel the requisite amount to bring the ship back to her course.

Another feature of this system is an instrument which makes a permanent record on a chart of the course steered.

NEW TAXI-CABS FOR LONDON.

AMERICAN CARS TO BE INTRODUCED.

From Our Own Correspondent.
LONDON, Sunday.

"Yellow" taxi-cabs, which are now familiar in nearly every American city, and which have already been introduced on the Paris boulevards, will soon be also seen on the streets of London, Stockholm, Copenhagen and other European cities, according to Mr. John Hertz, of Chicago, who sailed from America yesterday.

Mr. Hertz stated that he had signed a contract with the Turpin Engineering Company, of London, to deliver a hundred yellow taxi-cabs for use here, and that recently he received an order for the same number from a newly-created Paris concern, called the Compagnie des Voitures Jaunes de France.

An era of American taxi-cabs in the old world is the forecast of Mr. Hertz. Scotland Yard has decided to allow the introduction of the American vehicles on the streets. The Paris officials did not offer any obstacles, and the police authorities of Lisbon, Stockholm, and Copenhagen also readily granted permits for the new taxis.

A model similar to those employed in Chicago and New York will be used in the European cities. The cabs for England will be turned out of the Quebec branch of the Yellow Taxi-cab Company.

Mr. Hertz believes that his cabs will be delivered in London next April, and on the Continent a month later.

WAR PRISONERS.

AMNESTY FOR AMERICAN OFFENDERS.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
From Our Own Correspondent.
WASHINGTON, Sunday.

Following in the footsteps of his predecessor, President Coolidge yesterday ordered the release of all prisoners in jail for violation of the Espionage Act and other war-time measures. In all thirty prisoners will gain their liberty.

The President's action was taken on the recommendation of a special Investigating Committee of the Department of Justice, and the prisoners will go free as soon as their papers can be made out. The President's Yuletide clemency clears the records of the last vestige of abnormal legislation in the United States.

The Espionage Act, which was passed by Congress shortly after the declaration of war by the United States in 1917, was the law under which most of the war-time offenders were arrested. Most of the offences were in the nature of oral or written tirades against the war machinery with which America was working to speed an Allied victory.

DARING PHOTOGRAPHY.

"CLOSE-UPS" OF VOLCANO BY AMERICAN AIRMEN.

HILO, HAWAII (By Mail).

Aeroplane photographs of the fire-pit of an active volcano were taken recently by United States Army pilots, who successfully performed this daring feat over Kilauea, the largest continuously active volcano in the world.

A group of four planes did the work. In a sudden descent they went down to within a few hundred feet of the roaring inferno of lava within the encircling walls of the crater.

Heavily buffeted by the up-rush of superheated air and gas fumes from the pit, the aviators kept their planes going straight ahead, while the photographers, leaning out overboard, took a series of photographs of the tumultuous molten lava directly beneath them. In this manner a series of unusually interesting views was taken.—(Reuter.)

EARTHQUAKE IN COLUMBIA.

TWO TOWNS DESTROYED: MANY CASUALTIES.

BOGOTA, COLUMBIA, Saturday.

A number of persons have been killed and many others injured by an earthquake which has destroyed the towns of Cumbal and Chile, near the Ecuadorian frontier. Already 85 bodies have been recovered from the ruins at Cumbal. As the roads from the latter place are obstructed by great landslides, the full extent of the disaster is yet unknown.

The earthquakes are still continuing, though the shocks are becoming milder. Only fragmentary information is available at present, as the roads are obstructed and communication is interrupted.—(Reuter.)

TO-DAY'S LONDON PAPERS.

INDIAN ELECTIONS.

POSSIBLE NEW DEMANDS

In the course of a leading article upon the elections to the Indian Legislatures, *The Times* observes:—On the returns available the attempt at revolution from within the Councils should fail. At the same time, it is clear that the Government of India in the future will be increasingly difficulty. Many of the ablest men in the present Councils, men of experience, who courageously co-operated with the Government in the face of popular clamour, have lost their seats. Their places have been taken by men of varying, and often unsubstantial views, who have given extravagant promises to the electors, which they will now be called upon to make good. Inexperience, often sheer demagogy, has largely been substituted for a considerable knowledge of administration and politics in the fuller sense of the terms.

There is of course in India, no less than in other countries where democracy is at work, a wide difference between the platform and the Legislative Chamber. Already some of the "mend or end the Councils" Party of the hustings are hinting that they are really constitutional reformers of the Progressive type. But it is very probable that the Government of India and Parliament, through the Viceroy, may be confronted with a demand for an immediate extension of the Indian Constitution in the direction of Dominion *status* and full provincial responsibility, in which the Liberals will be tempted to join. No hope of success in this policy should be held out by any party in the State. It is, however, incumbent on the Government of India to keep its administration well abreast of Indian sentiment, not to be afraid of occasional defeat in the Legislatures, and to remember that a people in a state of political immaturity can only learn through experience and their own mistakes.

In no domain is this more important than in finance. The wise dictum of Lord Cromer that in the East politics are indissolubly associated with finance, and that where responsible Government does not exist moderate taxation is essential, is specially true of India to-day. That country has some cause to complain that the severe economy practised by successive finance members was forgotten from 1918 to 1923; for the Inchcape Retrenchment Committee was able to recommend economies amounting to £13,000,000 a year. The certification of the salt tax, when rejected by the Assembly, was a wise financial measure, because it was a paramount necessity to secure a balanced Budget, and India has been rewarded by an improvement of her credit, which has enabled a great extension of public works to be planned. But continuous taxation by certification, except in the face of sheer obstruction, is incompatible with constitutional growth, and one of the most urgent duties of the Government of India is to keep expenditure within the present scale of taxation.

THE WASHINGTON AGREEMENT.

DOLLARS FOR GUN TURRETS.

Some surprise is not unreasonably felt by British sailors at the reported intention of the American Navy Department to re-appropriate the sum of six and a-half million dollars for the purpose of elevating gun turrets, remarks *The Times* editorially. A similar proposal was made at Washington last year, the reason being then specifically adduced that Britain had elevated some of the guns of her battleships, and thus increased their range. Mr. Hughes, in a speech at New Haven, and Mr. K. Roosevelt, then acting as Secretary of the Navy, in his testimony before the Congressional Committees, made observations which were taken to mean that this country, while observing the letter of the Washington Agreement, was ignoring its spirit. The British Embassy was thereupon instructed to observe to the American Government that no alteration in the elevation of guns had been made in British warships, and, furthermore, that none was intended. Having received the British denial, Mr. Hughes made a handsome apology in March of this year. There was an official retraction of the statement that substantial alterations had been made in British capital ships with a view to increasing their range and armament, and the American proposal was dropped.

Legal experts are understood to differ on the interpretation of the clauses in the agreement, and so it is, perhaps, intelligible that American naval opinion should apparently have taken opposite views at different moments. Whatever the technicalities of the question, there appears to be one commonsense solution of the difficulty which is very easy of attainment. It is that the British and Japanese Naval Attachés in Washington, together with those of the other signatories of the Treaty, should meet in frank discussion and settle whether or not such alterations are permissible.

BOLSHEVIST ACTIVITY IN CANADA.

"MENACE TO THE COUNTRY."

In a message from Toronto yesterday, *The Times* Correspondent states:—Judge Kelly, who presided in a case at Fort William Assizes in which the parties were two factions of Ukrainians struggling for club property, and in which remarkable activities of the Bolshevists among Central Europeans in Western Canada were disclosed, said:—"I cannot bring myself to believe that the authorities, either Federal or Provincial, are really cognisant of what is going on and of what has been organised into a real menace to the country."

GERMAN OVERTURES.

DESIRE TO RESUME NEGOTIATIONS.

Herr Von Hoesch, the German *Chargé d'Affaires* in Paris, went yesterday morning to the Quai D'Orsay, and was received by M. Poincaré, states *The Times* Paris Correspondent, in a message last night. The conversation was short, lasting for not more than a quarter of an hour. The desire of Germany to resume negotiations, and the willingness of France, in certain conditions, to admit this procedure were expressed, and the position of the two Governments was indicated in broad outline.

Some blame is cast here upon the publicity which has accompanied this resumption of conversations, and the practice of pulling up the tender plant of negotiations at every moment to exhibit its roots to the world is deprecated. Suspicion is aroused, and M. Poincaré is warned that he is expected not to encourage unduly the German Government, which, it is said, may merely cherish the design of compromising France's Ruhr policy. As to this, M. Gauvain sensibly asks in the *Journal des Debats* if French statesmen are children in diplomacy, that they should be afraid of falling into traps, and he finds the method of demanding written documents too rigid.

CATTLE DISEASE SPREADING.

OUTBREAK IN KENT.

SERIOUS SITUATION IN CHESHIRE.

Last Saturday foot-and-mouth disease was discovered at Deal, Kent, and a new scheduled area was added to those already in existence. It was also reported that fifty-one new outbreaks had been notified, and that the slaughterings had been increased by 1,515 cattle, 2,197 sheep, and 791 pigs on the totals published the preceding day.

An official of the Ministry of Agriculture in London stated on Saturday that the outbreak this year is a little more serious than last year, when nearly a million was spent in paying compensation for the slaughter of diseased animals. This year they had already spent over £1,082,000 in gross compensation.

The latest official return shows that the number of animals slaughtered or ordered to be slaughtered in connection with this outbreak, which began on August 27 last, is as follows:—Cattle, 38,031; sheep, 19,188; pigs, 20,752; goats, 33. The total number of premises upon which there have been outbreaks of the disease since the beginning of the epidemic is 1,159, but as the disease has been stamped out on some of these premises and the cattle slaughtered, it does not mean that there are 1,108 infected farms to-day. There were 34 new cases confirmed in the country, and 21 of these were in Cheshire.

Cheshire is the worst district by far in the entire country so far as the disease is concerned. "It seems that the disease has spread very quickly in Cheshire," said the official, "despite our efforts at disinfection and slaughtering. But we have been able within the last few days to increase our resources in slaughterers and men who deal with the outbreaks so as to be able to catch up with the disease and stop it. Cheshire is a great dairy county, and the farms are very near together, so that may affect the position."

THE COMPENSATION GRANT.

Sir Robert Sanders, the Minister for Agriculture, has the authority of the Cabinet to continue the slaughter policy up to a total cost of £1,500,000.

All day yesterday a special staff at the Ministry was busy dealing with the situation. Lord Bledisloe at a meeting of the Gloucestershire Agricultural Committee on Saturday referred to the approaching exhaustion of the Government's compensation grant of £1,500,000. It had been intimated, he stated, that compensation would then cease, and the disease would be allowed to go its own way without compulsory slaughter. Such a course would be extremely disastrous for the farmers, and would involve the country in a great loss of stock.

Postmen are not delivering letters at Cheshire farmhouses where the disease has been reported. The letters are handed to servants at the gate. It is proposed to discontinue Church services and to close the schools until the disease is abated.

WAR ON FOXES.

Owing to a belief that foxes are spreading the disease, Cheshire farmers are being urged to shoot all foxes that they see.

THE POLICY OF SLAUGHTER.

Addressing farmers and agricultural students at Aberdeen, Mr. William Brown, Veterinary Hygiene Department, Aberdeen University, contended that it would be a profitable business if the present attack of foot-and-mouth disease could be stamped out by slaughter at the cost of five million pounds. If it were allowed to go unchecked, the damage caused by impairing the stock would be very much greater.

THE HOVE MURDER.

NO TRACE OF MISSING MAJOR.

Up to the present the police have been unable to trace the whereabouts of Major Bailey, who is wanted on a charge of having murdered his wife at Hove a week ago.

A man who was thought to have been the missing Major was detained at Jersey, but he has been identified as Captain Henry Moore, of Cheltenham, who is suffering from loss of memory.

Scotland Yard is now inclined to the belief that Bailey has not committed suicide, and that he may still be hiding in London.

A Brighton message says:—The latest possibility in connection with the Hove murder is that Major Bailey is in France. On Saturday, 8th inst., a man answering the description of Major Bailey was seen in a train from Charing Cross to Ramsgate and Broadstairs.

A man who travelled by the same train and journeyed from Folkestone to Boulogne on the following Monday morning has informed the Hove police that a man speaking with a Birmingham accent and resembling the Major was on board, and that his general attitude was such as to arouse suspicion. At Boulogne he boarded a Paris train.

RUINED LANDLORD.

HOUSE DESTROYED AND RENTS UNPAID.

Captain R. S. Maxwell, who, as reported in Friday's *Irish Times*, is claiming £40,000 compensation for the destruction of his mansion at Mountnugent, Co. Cavan, has been interviewed by a London newspaper representative.

Captain Maxwell, who is an old Harrovian, a University graduate, and an ex-officer of the Black Watch, said that his house was literally pulled to pieces. To maintain himself and his relatives—for his former rent roll of between £2,000 and £3,000 has dwindled to nothing—he formed an orchestra with two Cambridge graduates. The venture has proved quite successful, and has a number of contracts up to the end of February.

His claim will be heard in the first week in February, and the captain will be obliged to attend the hearing at the Cavan Sessions. An application for leave to give his evidence on commission owing to his orchestra contracts was refused.

BY CARRIER PIGEON.

DRUG SMUGGLING IN THE UNITED STATES.

LOS ANGELES, CAL. (By Mail).

A further instance of the ingenious methods employed by drug traffickers, who smuggle their commodities over the Mexican border into the United States, has been revealed by the chance capture of a carrier pigeon bearing beneath its wing a small packet containing a drug.

Investigation showed that hundreds of these pigeons, each carrying its little consignment of narcotics, were being released on the Mexican side of the border by a smuggling gang, the birds arriving a few hours later at their owners' homes on the American side. In such quantities have drugs been introduced by this means that the price of at least one drug is declared to have declined appreciably in the underworld markets.—(Reuter.)

Prince of Wales attended meet of Tring Farmers' Draghounds at Tilsworth, near Leighton Buzzard.

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TOC. H., POPERINGHE

PERPETUATING IDEALS OF SERVICE.

The eighth anniversary of the opening of "Toc. H."—Talbot House, Poperinghe—was celebrated by impressive ceremonies in London on Saturday and yesterday.

"Toc. H." is a time-worn, shell-battered, dirty-white house in the main street of Poperinghe. It was opened on December 15, 1915, by eight men, the leader of whom, Gilbert Talbot, was killed at Hooge, as a hostel for men of all ranks passing to and from the Ypres salient.

Its doors were never closed; day and night men could get a bath, meal, or rest, irrespective of rank and capacity to contribute to the cost of upkeep. Half a million officers and men availed themselves of the creature comforts and mental stimulus provided by "Toc. H.," and thousands who escaped from the salient remember the work of the house's founders with deep gratitude.

An organisation has been formed to carry on the traditions of service established by "Toc. H.," with the motto "To conquer hate." It was under the auspices of this association that the solemn ceremonies were conducted in London.

On Saturday at All Hallows, Barking, of which the Honorary Chaplain of the movement, the Rev. P. B. Clayton, M.C., is vicar, a solemn Service of Thanksgiving was held. The Prince of Wales, the patron of the "Toc. H." crusade against hatred, unveiled there the casket for his Lamp of Remembrance.

In the evening there was a great birthday gathering of the "Toc. H." movement in the Guildhall, where Lamps of Maintenance were lit by the Prince of Wales, Lieut.-General Sir Charles Harington and Sir J. M. Barrie.

The march past of the Camp Bearers of the old branches (1922-23) before the patron and the standards of Poperinghe and Ypres was a solemn and inspiring procession, which brought back vivid memories of the shell-battered "Talbot House" at Poperinghe.

The Bishop of London spoke words of remembrance. After an impressive silence "Réveillé" sounded, and then the Gresham Singers sang William Blake's poem, "Jerusalem."

Yesterday, also, there was a special service in All Hallows, and a luncheon and conference of members of the "Toc. H." movement.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—With reference to the letter from "S. K." in the *Irish Times* of the 13th instant, my Committee are glad that attention should be directed to this subject. A large trade is done by tinkers in worn-out animals in Dublin. They are bought for a few shillings by small hawkers, who gamble on the chance of getting their money's worth out of the animals before they are stopped by either the police or our inspectors. By consenting to have the animal destroyed they expect to escape a summons, with the intention of doing the same thing again. The purchasers of this class of animal usually have no regular work and keep the animals on the verge of starvation.

If the tinkers who collect and sell these animals could be dealt with, a large amount of cruelty would be stopped at its source.—Yours, etc.,

LINDA HILLAS, Hon. Secretary, Dublin Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

29 South Frederick street, Dublin, December 15th, 1923.

WOUNDED SOLDIERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Last year there was a very generous response to a Christmas appeal made by *Cumann na Saoirse* (of which I was honorary secretary) for gifts to help to provide Christmas festivities for the wounded soldiers. This year *Cumann na Saoirse* is no longer in existence, and, as I feel sure that there are many people who will wish to help to brighten the Christmas of the men who have not yet recovered from their wounds, might I suggest that they should send their contributions to the chaplains of the two main military hospitals—Father Byrne, St. Bricin's Hospital, Dublin, and Father Donnelly, Military Hospital, Curragh Camp? There are about three hundred patients in St. Bricin's and about two hundred in the Curragh.—Yours, etc.,

ANNIE BLYTHE.

Belmont, 11 Sandford road, Dublin, December 16th, 1923.

ENJOYABLE CONCERT.

INTERESTING ORCHESTRAL PROGRAMME.

Yesterday afternoon at La Scala Theatre the last concert before Christmas was given. The orchestral programme was most interesting, neither abstruse nor too weighty for the average concert-goer. Rimsky Korsakoff's "Chanson Indoue," from the opera "Sadko," made a great impression. The leading violin (Mr. Arthur Darley)—in theme against a languorous background, to which the 'cello entry gave great depth and the muffled drum-beats a curious sense of fatality—was exquisite from the opening to its harmonic note at the *finale*.

In the "Casse Noisette" (Part II.) of Tschaikowsky—at one time all we had of Russian, and now disputed as such—the orchestra in tempo delicacy and fidelity to the ideas of the sections was admirable. The Suite "From the Countryside" also contained many lovely passages, though in the first two movements "any other name" would have suited. "At the Fair," in its noise, movement, and reckless dash, was both to the point and splendid in execution. Mendelssohn's Overture, "Son and Stranger," was a worthy opening to a programme chosen with the taste that in conducting showed invariable musical appreciation.

Mr. Hughes Macklin, of the Carl Rosa Opera Company, sang a great many times above his listed programme from Coleridge-Taylor. "Eleanore" and "Onaway, awake, beloved," were full of "colour" and temperamental suggestions. The aria from "La Tosca" was more intensely dramatic and moving. Perhaps his ballad-singing is too deeply imbued with the traditions of opera, but it is very arresting and enjoyable.

Miss Eileen Gunning maintains the promise she showed so early. Her bird songs from Liza Lehman were truly artistic, while her clear tone and sincerity of interpretation in Santuzza's Scena made it very appealing. Miss Gunning is an artist, even her tendency to sing high notes, apart and *fortissimo*, is as yet a pleasing idiosyncracy.

Miss Lucy Leenane was the accompanist, as she has been for the whole of this series of concerts. It is not too much to say that she has shown considerable ability in her settings to the varied singers she has accompanied.

TAXI-CAB SHOOTING.

PARIS, Sunday.

A further thorough examination of the taxi-cab from which Philippe Daudet was taken in a dying condition has failed to reveal any trace of the bullet which passed right through the head, although the windows of the veicle are stated to have been closed at the time of the shooting. The cartridge case was, however, found in the course of the first search.

Under one of the cushions fragments of letters have been discovered. These have not yet been examined.—(Reuter.)

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INSURANCE INSTITUTE.

FAITH IN IRELAND'S FUTURE.

BASIS OF PROSPERITY.

The annual dinner of the Insurance Institute of Ireland was held last Saturday evening in Clery's Restaurant, Dublin. Mr. J. Mills Forsythe, President of the Institute, occupied the chair.

Mr. W. C. R. Cruise proposed the toast of "The Irish Free State." He said that the company represented a great many interests. The Free State was a baby, but such a baby! It had shown wonderful growth, and had given an earnest of the endeavours that it was going to make. It was born in good faith, and had established itself by the honest work that it had done. They had gone through their trials and tribulations in this country, but they had come through them like a lifeboat well manned in a stormy sea. He thought that the new Ireland was going to be a great success. It might take some years, but there was no reason why anybody should get frightened or hysterical about the future of Ireland. Ireland was as sound a business proposition as was ever put before anybody, and that was proved by the fact that the loan floated at an inopportune time—at the end of the financial year—proved such a great success. (Applause.)

The toast was duly honoured.

Sir Henry McLoughlin, who responded, said that last year he had the honour of responding to the toast of the prosperity of Ireland, and he took the liberty of saying that Ireland had a great future before her if she would cease from the error of her ways, and recognise that there was a higher authority than man in control of the State. It was rather a wonderful thing to look around their country that day and to see the change that had taken place. The change had not only taken place in the nation, but in the individual also; and when individuals began to realise that the State was their honour and that their honour was the State, then the condition of affairs that they were referring to that time twelve months would cease.

There was no fear of the Free State if the people recognised that the men they put at the head of the State were men who would control the State for the honour of Ireland.

SOUND FINANCE.

One thing that would make their nation was sound finance. If they could show that their finance was on the right side—and they had started well—and if they could show that they were sound business men, and honourable business men, there was a great future before their State, and it would rise to a high position among the nations of the world.

He hoped that some day the Free State would prove so well to the world and to Northern Ireland that they were going on sound financial lines and on broad Christian lines that their brethren in the North would want to join them, and that it would bring real credit to the Empire to which they belonged. (Applause.)

"The basis of our prosperity," said Sir Henry McLaughlin, "lies in England, and I think we are all proud of the fact that we are members of that great Empire, and we are proud of the fact that we can claim the King of that Empire as our head. (Applause.) We have to understand that the first thing that is going to stand to our own country is good-will towards England and, above all things, union and good-will with our friends in the North." (Applause.)

Sir Simon Maddock proposed the toast of "The Insurance Institute of Ireland," and said that he was delighted to know that that Institute was growing in efficiency and power.

The Chairman, responding to the toast, said that the Insurance Institute took its place in the public life of the community. By subscribing to the recent Loan the insurance companies took a very large part in stabilising the finances of the country. He was convinced that in a few months' time, when a bigger Loan was being issued, the insurance companies of Great Britain would stand behind the Government of the country, and that insurance companies generally were determined to assist in giving the Free State a chance. (Applause.)

Mr. George Ryce proposed "Prosperity to Ireland," and said that they had at present an entirely different set of circumstances from that which existed in past years. They had now a Government of Ireland, by the Irish people, for the Irish people. That was the idea of a Republic as it prevailed in America. And let them say what they liked, they had all that in Ireland at the present time, and they could all work together for the prosperity of Ireland. (Applause.)

WORK THE KEY.

Mr. M. W. O'Reilly, in responding to the toast, said that work was the key to the country's prosperity. And if the men and women of the country did not work, then prosperity would not be theirs, and they would not deserve it.

"Our Guests" was proposed by Mr. W. A. McConnell, O.B.E. He said that honour and good-will were the solution of all their problems. They had come through a period of great difficulty, but they would eventually attain that position which they all believed was before the Free State. British honour had made the Empire what it was, and Irish honour would attain the same position for Ireland within the Empire. (Applause.)

Sir William de Courcy Wheeler (President of the Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland), Mr. R. Egan, manager of the National Bank, Camden street, and Mr. H. Jefferson, President of the Belfast Insurance Institution, replied.

Other toasts were:—"Our Musical Entertainers" and "The President of the Institute."

An interesting musical programme was given by Mr. Melfort D'Alton, Mr. J. Lemon, Mr. J. G. Aston, Mr. J. G. Dixon and Mr. T. Gill Wallis. Mr. Lennox was the accompanist.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORTS.

SATURDAY.

Wind and Weather—Westerly wind, light breeze; overcast.

Coastwise Arrivals—Ss. Slievemore, ss. South Stack, from Holyhead, with goods; ss. Puma, from Glasgow, with goods; ss. Olive, from Heysham, with goods; ss. Ivytown, ss. Lady Killiney, from Liverpool, with goods; ss. Harlaw Plain, from London, with cement; Mary B. Mitchell, from Ballinacurra, with malt; ss. Hamilton, from Newry, light; ss. Ferrum, from Saundersfoot, with coals; ss. Puffin, ss. Hartford, ss. Nancie Thomas, ss. Jessie Summerfield, ss. Priscilla, from Garston, with coals; ss. Silverfield, from Acton Grange, with coals; ss. Dunleary, ss. Nugget, from Ayr, with coals; ss. Princetown, from Newport, with coals; ss. Glencullen, from Partington, with coals; ss. Lady Brussels, from Birkenhead, light.

Foreign Departures—Ss. Kosmo, of London, 3,193 tons register, captain Swinney, for Havre, with part cargo (general); ss. Trito, of Rotterdam, 373 tons register, Captain Bos, for Rotterdam, with general cargo.

Coastwise Departures—Ss. Slieve Gallion, ss. Slievemore, for Holyhead, with goods; ss. Lady Emerald, ss. Lady Wimborne, for London, with goods; ss. Puma, for Glasgow, with goods; ss. Olive, for Heysham, with goods; ss. Lady Killiney, for Liverpool and Birkenhead, with goods and live stock; ss. Lady Brussels, for Preston, with live stock; ss. Clarecastle, for Liverpool, with porter; ss. Clarelsland, for Manchester, with porter; John Gibson (schooner), for Runcorn, with old rails; ss. Ashfield, ss. Lancashire, ss. Ophir, for Garston, light; ss. St. Aidan, for Ayr, light; ss. Ita, for Irvine, light; ss. Sapphire, for Garston, light; ss. St. Fintan, for Partington, light; s. Alyn, for Ormeshead, light; ss. Thelma, for Trevor, light.

SUNDAY.

Wind and Weather—Westerly wind, fresh breeze; fine and clear.

Foreign Arrivals—Ss. Pianau, of Hamburg, 638 tons register, Captain Kayser, from Hamburg, via Cork, with a general cargo; discharging at shelter sheds, North Wall extension. Ss. Theodoros, of Chios (Greece), 1,948 tons register, Captain Galakis, from Brails, with a cargo of wheat; discharging in Alexandra Basin.

Coastwise Arrivals—Ss. Lady Wicklow, ss. Ardmore, from Liverpool, with goods; ss. Lady Patricia, ss. Norfolk Coast, from London, with goods; ss. Brier, from Heysham, with goods; ss. Yarrow, from Silloth, with goods; ss. Sands, from Cork, with goods; ss. Walnut, ss. Pine, from Newport, with coals; ss. Balniel II., ss. Zillah, ss. Sarah Brough, ss. Effie Gray, from Garston, with coals; ss. Esperanto, from Liverpool, with coals; ss. Briarfield, from Actongrange, with coals; ss. Bandon, from Bristol, light; ss. Maple, from Dundee, light.

Foreign Departure—Ss. Planorbis, of London, 3,491 tons register, Captain Meadows, for Cardiff, light.

Coastwise Departures—Ss. Hamilton, for Drummore, with dried grains; ss. Silverfield, for Ayr, light; ss. Glencona, ss. Hartford, ss. Amy Summerfield, ss. Jessie Summerfield, for Garston, light; ss. The President, for Glasgow, light; ss. Coalisland, ss. Princetown, for Newport, light; ss. Lyme Regis, for Birkenhead, light; ss. Puffin, for Partington, light; ss. Nugget, ss. Nancie Thomas, for Llandulas, light.

JAPAN'S LOSSES.

TOKIO, Saturday.

Replying to a question in the Diet to-day, the Minister of Finance said that the total losses due to the earthquake amounted to between seven and ten billion yen.

The Minister of Education said that the losses of the Imperial University totalled 43 million yen.—(Reuter.)

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Unemployment in the engineering trade decreased 2,554.

A postcard has been received by Messrs. W. and J. Goodiere, Preston, which was posted at Lancaster 11 years ago.

Mr. Hans Larsen, the second officer of the steamer Douro, who was reported to be missing, is now stated to be safe.

Sir Hall Caine, who has suffered during the past few weeks from serious attacks of vertigo, has left for St. Morts on the advice of Sir Thomas Horder.

Sir Reginald Blomfield, R.A., has been asked by the L.C.C. to collaborate in the design of the proposed new Lambeth Bridge, the fee suggested being £1,500.

The sum of £2,500 is being sent to the Variety Artists' Benevolent Fund as the result of the special entertainment attended by the King and Queen at the London Colliseum on Thursday evening.

FOUR KILLED BY TRAIN.—Four young girls, sisters, were killed at a level crossing near Ottawa on Saturday afternoon, when their motor car was struck by a Canadian-Pacific train.—(Reuter.)

NEW ZEALAND'S PREMIER. — Mr. Massey, Prime Minister of New Zealand, will leave England for New Zealand on Tuesday morning, *via* America. He will travel by the Aquitania.

CANADIAN FIELD CROPS. — A Reuter's Ottawa message states that the Bureau of Statistics estimates the total value of the principal field crops in Canada this year at 892,000,000 dollars, compared with 962,000,000 dollars last year and 931,000,000 dollars the year before.

VANISHED FOOTBALLER: BODY RECOVERED.—The body of Peter Mee, 23, professional footballer, of Chorlton-cum-Hardy, was recovered on Saturday evening from the River Mersey, near Sale Golf Links. Mee, who had been missing since November 5, belonged to the Southport Central Club, having been transferred from Manchester City in July last.

WOMAN SOLICITOR'S FIRST CASE. — Miss Ingram, recently qualified as a solicitor, conducted and won her first case at Lambeth County Court on Saturday, when she defended Bert Bier, a hairdresser, in an action taken against him to recover money due by absconding lodgers, for whom, it was alleged, he had gone security.

£25 FINE FOR INSURANCE NEGLECT. — At Rothesay on Saturday, Robert M'Card, building contractor, was fined £5 and £1 expenses in each of five cases for failure to stamp workmen's insurance cards. It was stated by the Procurator Fiscal that M'Card had rendered himself liable to penalties to the amount of £6,250.

SLUMP IN VACCINATION. — A decline in vaccination is revealed by figures presented at the meeting of the London Metropolitan Asylums Board on Saturday. In 1913 there were 111,813 births in the County of London and 54,052 vaccinations. In 1921 the births numbered 102,092 and vaccinations 43,947. The vaccination figures for 1922 will not be available before next March.

KLEPTOMANIAC FINED. — Helene Burke, richly dressed and said to be the wife of a man of independent means, was, at Marylebone Police Court, London, on Saturday, fined £15, with £5 costs, for shoplifting at the premises of William Whiteley, Ltd., Bayswater. It was suggested that insomnia was responsible for her kleptomaniac proclivities.

DEATH IN HUNTING FIELD.—A verdict of death due to cerebral hemorrhage was returned at an inquest at Slingsby, near Malton, on Saturday, on Major Frederick William Slingsby, of Slingsby Hall, who died suddenly whilst following the Sinnington hounds. The major was found dead in a field with his horse looking down upon him. The deceased was 71 years of age.

AMERICAN ACTRESS FOUND DEAD. — Mr. Rupert Hughes, the author, of Los Angeles, has been informed by cable that his wife, Mrs. Adelaide Manola Hughes, the actress, has been found dead at Haiphong, in Indo-China. Previous to going abroad last August, Mrs. Hughes underwent an operation for cancer. She suffered a nervous collapse as a result of the Japanese earthquake.

MYSTERIOUS INJURY ENDS IN DEATH. — Frank Theodore Barker, residing with his parents near Southend, stumbled into the doorway of his home on Friday evening, with blood streaming from a wound in the temple, and exclaimed: "I am blind." He became unconscious, and remained so until his death in Hospital on Saturday. It is thought that he stumbled and injured his forehead while making his way home in the darkness.

ALDERSHOT MURDER: PETITION AND APPEAL.—A petition for the reprieve of Lance-Corporal Dearnley, sentenced to death for the murder of Drummer Ellis at Aldershot, was delivered at the Home Office, London, on Saturday. Over 23,000 persons signed the petition. Dearnley has lodged an appeal against his conviction and this will be dealt with before the Home Secretary takes any action in regard to the petition.

HOMELESS MEN.

A DESERVING DUBLIN CHARITY.

A public meeting in support of the St. Vincent de Paul Free Night Shelter for Homeless Catholic Men, Back lane, Dublin, was held yesterday afternoon at the Dublin Mansion House, under the presidency of the Most Rev. Dr. Byrne.

The interim report of the Committee for the year 1923, which was submitted by Mr. McDermott, stated that during the year an exceptional strain had been put upon the resources of the shelter. Since January the admissions had reached the total of 32,192, and the free meals distributed numbered 61,096. The figures of two years ago had thus been doubled. The relief given in the shelter consisted of a free bed and two free meals daily for a period of fourteen nights, or longer if necessary.

The shelter was a comparatively young institution, and had neither endowments nor vested funds. Unless, therefore, it received a reasonable share of bequests and a steady flow of generous subscriptions it would be extremely difficult to continue the work. The accounts attached showed a deficit of £3,296 2s. 11d.

The Archbishop, in his address, said that spiritual success was in the power of every man to achieve, because it was within the power of every man to grasp the hand of Him who made him, and be drawn to the glittering heights of conquest over self and the world and all things evil. Material success was on quite another plane. It was not commensurate with spiritual success; its acquirement was heralded by no promise, and in the mysterious ways of Providence it was often an obstacle to spiritual triumph.

Success in the world was a very capricious thing—so many elements entered into it. The marginal line between success and failure was so thin that a thousand and one misfortunes could change life's pleasant June to bleak December. It was, therefore, neither reasonable nor charitable to be severe in attitude towards failures in life.

The Night Shelter was frankly meant to help the unsuccessful, the workless, and the homeless man. From the nature of the case it could only help temporarily. He might say that the charity was one which particularly appealed to him, because it provided one of the absolute necessities for the preservation of human life—a shelter for the night and a warm bowl to keep cold out of wearied limbs. If it did nothing else it kept despair from the hearts of the unfortunates disappointed in the search for work.

Sir Arthur Chance moved the adoption of the report. Extraordinary practical Christianity was being practised daily in the institution, he declared. The best recommendation they could give the Committee was to say that the administration of the shelter could not be improved.

The Very Rev. John Flanagan, Administrator, Pro-Cathedral, seconded the adoption of the report, which was unanimously adopted.

Monsignor Dunne, P.P., V.G., moved that the shelter was worthy of support and that a subscription list be opened. The work, he said, was one in which those who were engaged in it sought first the Kingdom of God, and a wonderful tribute to it was the fact that it survived in the face of many adversities.

Seconding the motion Judge O'Brien paid tribute to the work of the Committee—a small band which worked most effectively and in the most benevolent spirit. He would, he said, appeal most strongly to the outside public to help on the work, and so enable them to look after even more men.

The motion was carried.

A vote of thanks, on the motion of Mr. Andrew J. Keogh, seconded by Mr. William Field, was passed to the Archbishop for presiding.

Among the subscriptions subsequently announced was the sum of £500 from the Archbishop, £10 from the Lord Mayor, and £10 from Sir Joseph Downes.

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

CHRISTMAS GOODS.—Christmas traffic required extra steamers on Saturday. Two vessels of the British and Irish Steam Packet Company arrived from Liverpool and two from London direct, instead of the usual one from each port. The Pianau arrived yesterday from Hamburg with general goods and the Theodoros from Brails, on the Black Sea, with wheat.

HOLLY DANCE.—The dance organised to aid the funds of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children took place in Clery's Ballroom, Sackville street, on Friday night and was attended by 520 people. Dancing was carried on until midnight in two rooms, and the whole function was an unqualified success.

UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS.—On December 10 the number of people recorded by Employment Exchanges and Branch Employment Offices in the Irish Free State as registered for employment was 34,783, compared with 34,459 on December 3, or an increase of 324. 30,044 persons were drawing the dole.

FALL IN PRICE OF BUTTER.—Choicest salted butter, wholesale, nett, free on rail Ireland, has been reduced from £11 6s. to £11 a cwt. for the week ending next Thursday. In the week ending November 15 the price was £9 5s., since when it has risen week by week.

CONNAUGHT.

SLIGO HARBOUR RETURNS.—The total revenue for shipping at the Port of Sligo last year showed an increase of £763 over the receipts for 1922, this notwithstanding that there was a fall of £295 in export dues caused by the strike. There were large decreases in the number of cattle and sheep exported, but the number of pigs shipped showed an increase of 2,612.

LEINSTER.

PRESENTATION TO CLERGYMAN.—The Rev. W. Pollard, who has been rector of Killashee with Ballymacormack, Co. Longford, since 1900, and has recently resigned, has received a presentation from the parishioners as a mark of esteem and appreciation. Mr. Pollard, who is a graduate of London University, was ordained in 1883, and ministered in the Diocese of Ardagh for thirty-six years.

ASYLUM STRIKE THREAT.—A letter was read from the General Secretary of the Irish Mental Hospital Workers' Union at a meeting of the Committee of Management of Mullingar Asylum stating that the staff would cease work at the end of the month unless long service money is paid. A member said that £3,400 was due to the staff, and it was proposed that £1,700 should be paid now and the balance when finances permit. The Chairman said that he did not care if they had a strike that evening. He knew plenty of men, better than anyone inside the institution, who were standing idle and hungry in the towns and villages; but here they had eighty men going on strike because they did not get a windfall. It was decided to adjourn the matter for consideration at a special meeting to be held on December 27.

CHARGE AGAINST COUNCILLOR.—James O'Neill, a member of the Longford County Council, of Crowdrummin, and John Brady, of the same district, have been remanded on bail on a charge of being unlawfully in possession of timber, the property of Mr. A. W. Percival, Newtownforbes.

SHOP ASSISTANTS' STRIKE.—The shop assistants in Longford town struck for an increase of wages early last week. Some of the employers agreed to the demand, but the majority held out against it. A demonstration parade was held on Thursday, in which 120 assistants took part. On Friday the assistants' representatives met the employers and a satisfactory settlement was reached. Work was resumed on Saturday.

LONGFORD ELECTRIC LIGHT.—The proposal to light the town of Longford with electricity has now taken definite shape, and a site for the power house has been selected in Bridge street.

EGGS AND BUTTER LEGISLATION.—King's County Committee of Agriculture has called for legislation for the grading of eggs and butter. To prevent the marketing of inferior quality butter it is recommended that there be an inspection of dairies by the Department of Agriculture with a view to improved methods.

MUNSTER.

FARMERS DEMAND INQUIRY.—Lattin Branch of the South Tipperary Farmers' Union has passed a resolution calling on the Minister for Local Government to hold a sworn inquiry into the affairs of the Tipperary No. 1 Rural District Council, and, if necessary, to suspend that body and appoint paid commissioners to do the work. Cullen Branch has entered a strong protest against the appointment of an assistant clerk to the Union.

NORTH TIPPERARY AWARDS—Twenty-nine applicants were awarded a total of £1,933 15s. at Nenagh for malicious injuries—thefts, burnings, and cattle-drives. The applications were all in respect of outrages in North Tipperary. The individual awards were from £4 10s. to £450.

ULSTER.

DONEGAL OR "TIRCONAILL."—There is some confusion in regard to the description of the administrative county of Donegal, says our Correspondent. The County Council decided to change the name of Donegal to "Tirconaill," but the territory known in ancient times as Tyrconnell does not include all Donegal. The Inishowen peninsula is not part of it, and this area is now agitating for recognition as a separate county. For Parliamentary purposes, even by the Free State, the constituency is known as Donegal, and the Army Command is Donegal.

FARM PRODUCE INSPECTION.—At a meeting of the County Monaghan Irish Farmers' Union in Ballybay on Friday, a member said that it would help the Irish butter trade if the Government took steps to see that Irish creamery butter was put on sale pure. The practice of mixing margarine in the butter had done harm in the past, but it was not common now. A delegate traced the want of interest in farming to the system of education in national schools. The Executive decided to urge the County Council to enforce the Food and Drugs Act.

COUNTY COUNCIL SALARIES.—Donegal County Council has received resolutions from district councils and ratepayers' associations requesting that a reduction should be made in the salaries of its officials in recognition of the economic conditions which necessitated the reduction of teachers' salaries and old age pensions. A committee of the County Council has recommended drastic reductions.

BOOKS FOR DONEGAL.—The Irish Advisory Committee of the Carnegie Library Fund has decided to give to the Donegal County Council the stock of books, furniture and fittings which have been used in the rural library scheme in the county.

COMFORTLESS COURTHOUSES.—A district justice has drawn the attention of the Donegal County Council to the lack of heating and lighting in the courthouses in the county, and asking it to take steps to remedy this state of affairs.

The death has occurred of Mr. E. Enright, manager of the National Bank branch at Borrisokane, County Tipperary, at the age of 38 years.

The death has taken place at Shancough, Ballintubber, Castlerea, of Michael Larkin, at the age of 102 years.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

KNOCKABBEY MANSION FIRE.—At Dundalk Quarter Sessions, on Saturday, three claims totalling over £35,000, which arose out of the burning of Knockabbey Mansion, near Ardee, were heard. Mr. William J. O'Reilly was awarded £3,100 for the contents of the mansion, and £6,250 for the building, with a full reinstatement clause in respect of the latter figure. The sum of £75 was awarded Colonel O'Reilly, and £900 to Miss Veronica O'Reilly for personal belongings. Mr. William O'Reilly said that armed men came to the house on March 3 last, and stated they "were sorry, but they had orders to burn it." A library of four thousand books was destroyed.

LISBURN'S WAR TROPHIES.—The formal ceremony of handing over to the custody of the Urban Council the two trophy guns presented to Lisburn took place on Saturday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Sergeant Thomas Davis, M.M., who served in the Boer War and in the European War. Ex-Servicemen and "B" Specials were in attendance. The guns have been placed in the Castle Gardens.

LURGAN TECHNICAL SCHOOL.—Lurgan Municipal Technical School Committee at its monthly meeting discussed the question of the provision of a new school building, and the Secretary was directed to ask the Northern Ministry what steps should be taken by the Committee in the matter. The average weekly attendance at the school during November was 1,577.5.

POLICEMAN BARONET.—The Royal Ulster Constabulary boasts a baronet in its ranks, Sir John Echlin being a sergeant at Letterbreen, a county station in Co. Fermanagh. He is the ninth baronet. The baronetcy dates from 1721. The family formerly possessed princely estate in Scotland and five Irish counties. Bishop Echlin, of Down and Connor, who was murdered in 1635, was a son of Andrew Echlin, Governor of Edinburgh Castle during the siege in 1572. Sir Henry Echlin, eighth baronet, and uncle of the present holder of the title, was sometime landlord of the Cider House, Hoddenham, Bucks.

NO NORTHERN POST OFFICE.—The December issue of *The Outpost*, the Northern Ireland monthly supplement to *The Post*, publishes a letter received from the General Post Office stating that "there is at present no proposal before the Postmaster-General for the transfer of postal and telegraph service to the Goverment of Northern Ireland."

BELFAST QUEBEC SERVICE.—The Cunard Company announces that the Caronia and the Carmania will be put on to a Liverpool-Belfast-Quebec service as from next April.

Lurgan War Memorial subscriptions now amount to £1,255 10s.

Mr. Richard Butcher, from London, has been appointed head master of the Limerick Municipal School of Art.

UNIVERSITY NEWS.

TRINITY COLLEGE.

MICHAELMAS, 1923.

FINAL MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

Part II.

MEDICINE (M.B.).

Taylor, Wentworth Alexander (passed on high marks); Dixon, Patrick Kerr; Elliason, Joseph Elias and Mounsey, John Milburn, equal; Isaacson, Henry; Marin, Israel; du Toit, Jan Andreas; Hafner, Etienne Rodolphe and Levitt, Jack Abraham; Glasgow, John Stanton and Smith, Wm. Leslie Winslow; Fausset, Robert Evatt; Whaley, William Frederick; Hemmingway, Douglas Lennox; Weatherrill, Gladys; Hill, Kathleen Edna; Beckett, Alfred John and M'Clelland, John; Crawford, Francis Charles Boyd Lindsay Brown; Ingham, Charles Wm. Joseph and Speedy, Wm. Dinwoodie; Milmo, Dermod Hubert Francis and Williams, James Valentine; du Plessis, Pieter Coetzee and Monks, Anthony Benedict and Wood, Albert Victor; O'Neil, Margaret.

SURGERY (B.Ch.).

Dixon, Patrick Kerr and Saunders, George Francis Thomas; Fisher, Robert Lucius Cary; Cohen, Morris, and Williams, Norman Ernest Hamilton Powell; Smith, Wm. Leslie Winslow; Stuart, John Latimer; Laing, John Joseph; Deale, James Edward; M'Quillan, Cecil James; M'Clelland, John; Dale, Henry Wm. Loftus; Harris, Louis; Reid, Martha and Schaffer, Rudolf; Ingham, Charles Wm. Joseph and O'Grady, James Joseph; Brown, Frederick George and Gordon, Jack Moir; Smith, Isobel Gillespie; Stals, Johannes Henricus; van der Merwe, Philip Paul; Hill, Kathleen Edna and MacDonald, James Andrew; Isaacson, Henry; Hugo, Hans Jacob and Speedy, Isabella Hogg; Boyd, Eileen Agnes and du Toit, Jan Andreas.

MIDWIFERY (B.A.O.).

Lyons, Desmond Kenny and Thompson, John Knox Stafford and Wilde, Otto Gruber and Cowan, George Abraham and Bradshaw, John Russell and Robinson, George (passed on high marks); Brough, Lewis Cresswell; Armstrong, James Septimus; Wigoder, Simon; Werner, Louis Emil Joseph; MacDonnell, John Anthony; Atkinson, John Noel; Bowyer, John Herbert; Anderson, Wilfred Harpur and Steen, Robert Elsworth; Booth, Dorothy James; Swanepoel, Francois Johannes; Wallace James Waldo; Levitt, Lionel Samuel; Loubser, Cornelius Johannes Nicolaas and Mackenzie, Kenneth Fitzgerald; Whitsett, Leslie Montgomery; Marshall, James Lister and Morris, Joseph and Steele, John Leslie Fisher; Horwich, Jerreth and Dickson, William Arthur; du Plessis, Johannes Charles and Garde, Godfrey Walter and Warnock, Robert and Watson, John Desmond; Redmond, William Alexander; Brangan, Eileen; Gilcriest, Nora Mary, and Labuschagne, Paul Nicolaas Harm and Proctor, Richard Louis Gibbon and Strasburg, Israel; Birney, Herbert and Dobbyn, Alexander Lee; Hyde, Raymond James Garnet and Lawler, Bertha Harriett; Piel, Douglas Paul and Strong, Herbert Wm.; Pigott, Lucy Elizabeth Rainsford; Henry, Dorothy Isabel and McKenny, Howard St. George and Thompson, Robert Gordon Ffolliott and Rankin, George Douglas; Webner, Ralph Adolph; Harte, Robert Wm.; Sayers, Louis Philip; Crawford, Angel Valentine Brown.

DENTAL EXAMINATIONS.

Examination in Clinical Hospital Practice.—Kieran, Edward Austin; Dickson, James Alfred Nicholson; Liddy, Joseph Francis Frederick; Wood, William Stuart.

FINAL DENTAL EXAMINATION.

B.DENT. Sc.

Dental Surgery and Pathology; Dental Mechanics and Metallurgy; Orthodontia—Shaw, John Cecil Middleton; Tuke, John Henry Burland; Bailey, Frances Ethel; Wall, Thomas Raymond; Dickson, James Alfred Nicholson; Mulherne, Maureen Claire.

LAW SCHOOL.

Degree of LL.D.—Class II.—Gelston, Mona; Vaish, Nelal Chand; Davies, Joseph Gwyn; Maguire William Joseph.

Degree of LL.B.—Class I.—Keirans, Vincent D. Class II.—Meares, Keith; Hallinan, Eric. Unclassed—Ashworth, Albert; Dutt, Dhan Raj; Emerson, Norman; Glover, Ernest; Hatch, Frederick.

Intermediate Examination in Law.—Class I.—Johnson, William; Walsh, Eva Orrell; Watson, David M'Cloy. Unclassed—Bennet, John Leslie.

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THE LATE CANON JENNINGS

LARGE ATTENDANCE AT FUNERAL.

The burial of the late Canon John A. Jennings, M.A., who died on Wednesday last, only a few weeks after his retirement from the rectorship of Harold's Cross parish, which he had held for more than twenty years, took place in Mount Jerome Cemetery on Saturday morning.

There was a large attendance of mourners. The Service in Harold's Cross Church, attended by a large number of parishioners, and the committal Service at the graveside, were conducted by the Archbishop of Dublin (who was attended by the Rev. E. G. Sullivan as chaplain), the Rev. C. C. W. Duggan, B.D., the new rector of Harold's Cross, and the Rev. J. J. Lougheed, curate of the parish.

The chief mourners were the Revs. John M. Jennings and H. St. C. Jennings (sons); the Rev. John Milliken, Messrs. Henry R. Chillingworth, F. Boyd Crawford, and Thomas G. B. Crawford.

The clergy present, besides those officiating, were:—

The Dean of Christ Church, the Rev. Dr. Lawlor, Precentor of St. Patrick's; Canon David Wilson, Canon H. W. B. Thompson, Canon Lewis Crosby, Canon Somerville, Canon Newport White, Rev. W. J. E. Dawson, Rev. F. A. Elliott, Rev. R. A. Byrn, Rev. J. E. L. Oulton, Rev. H. C. Cave, Rev. J. Haythornthwaite, Rev. Robert Brown, Rev. N. L. Roberts, Rev. John Tobias, Rev. A. E. Hughes, Rev. E. J. Going, Rev. William Anderson, Rev. W. M. Gibbon, Rev. Dr. Newport White, Rev. Thomas H. Seale, Rev. Harold G. Forde, Rev. E. M. Bateman, and Rev. R. Saunderson Griffin.

Other Churches were represented by:—

The Rev. L. Kinsella, C.C.; Rev. J. Byrne, C.C.; Rev. J. Denham Osborne, D.D.; Rev. James M. Alley, and Rev. Dr. Johnston.

The general attendance included the following:—

Sir Simon W. Maddock, D.L.; Dr. Herbert C. Patterson, Dr. Alfred J. Beckett, Mrs David Anderson, Mrs. Field, Mrs. White, the Misses Oulton, Mrs. Isabella Craig, Miss H. Field, Mrs. Fred. Scales, Mrs. L. B. Smyth, Miss L. M. Penny, Miss Norris, Mrs. G. Browne, Miss E. Browne, Mrs. George Larkin, Mrs. G. C. King, Mrs. Patterson, Miss Weeke, Mrs. James Hamilton, Miss Danford, Miss Kennedy, Messrs. F. W. Maguire, N. E. Maguire, Thomas Grant, T. A. Hughes, R. Pearson, W. R. Lambert Pamesin, W. H. Elliott, W. F. Field, John A. White, R. G. Matthews, W. Matthews, L.D.S.; W. E. Haynes, Albert E. Roe, Disney Roe, George S. Harwood, T. D. Kerr, J. Cole, W. A. Higginbotham-Wybrants, H. O. Tisdall, A. Berney, H. Hawe, H. R. McGowan, H. W. Fennell, Cecil H. H. Fennell, George F. Wolfe, J. Duggan, Leo J. Jameson, J. T. Gibbs, George William Bunbery, Thomas Brady, Miss H. Field, Herbert White, Robert Buckley, Albert E. Coe, Thomas Jackson, Mrs. Jackson, Fred. Scales, John F. Curtis, Mrs. L. B. Smyth, G. Browne, Douglas V. Browne, Jack Wilson, M. Taylor, M. Warnock, George Metcalfe, Edwin Bradbury, Ernest A. White, A. A. White, William Robinson, Mrs. George Larkin, Arthur W. Beatty, A. F. Beatty, A. T. Barber, William C. Stubbs, Charles Beckett, D. McG. Alexander, Charles Keatinge, William Vanston, K. T. Brady, Fred. G. Bell, William Dann, Busteed, John Bailey, Henry Barry, George Andrews, F. W. Taylor, J. H. Farrell, G. C. King, Percy H. Cleuz, George B. Butler, James Nichols, J.P.; Thomas Taylor, A. A. Cordner, John Edwards, Wilfrid L. Barlee, Samuel Boyce, G. W. Brooks, James Allen, W. T. Douglas, G. G. Williamson, Richard Bird, A. S. Bisett, R. C. Melt, F. C. Scott, Herbert F. Pennett, C. H. Merrilees, J. C. Ruddock, F. G. Flewett, Mrs. Patterson, David W. Allen, Thomas A. Bailey, J. P. Brunker, William Ireland, William Danford, Hedley V. Orr, Fred. W. Taylor, Thomas Jackson, Thomas J. Gleave (Select Vestry), etc.

Among the numerous wreaths were those from the members of the Select Vestry of Harold's Cross, the Harold's Cross Parish Church Choir, and the Captain and Guides, Harold's Cross.

M. Franklin-Bouillon has been nominated by the Radical Socialist Party in the French Chamber of Deputies as a member of the Foreign Affairs Commission, over which he formerly presided.

DUBLIN GUARDIANS.

"EFFICIENT AND PURE" ADMINISTRATION.

REPLY TO INSPECTOR.

We have received from the members of the Dublin Board of Guardians a long statement on the report of the Local Government Department Inspector on their administration of the Union's affairs.

The Board claims that by good management and progressive improvement "it has brought the Union from a state of financial insecurity, with out-of-date machinery, depleted and worn stocks, to its present sound financial position." It is "prepared to be judged by its work and to leave the public to decide whether it has justified its claim to efficiency, economy, and purity of administration."

The Board points out that it was elected in May, 1920, at a time of exceptional difficulty. From the first it was convinced (as the inspector knows it) "that to discharge the work connected with the Union efficiently and in the best interests of the poor and the ratepayers requires some greater effort than that provided for in the regulations." A special committee that was appointed in 1921 found that no drastic changes could be made either in the system or the regulations without legislation. Dail Eireann at the time was unable to deal effectively by way of legislation with the poor law system, and the Board was obliged to work under the existing regulations, which, being drafted for small Unions, were unsuitable when applied to a large institution.

In October, 1921, acting on the suggestion of the Local Government Department, the Board appointed a Commissioner, with plenary powers, "to go carefully and thoroughly into the question of carrying on the necessary reforms and economies." The Commissioner had continued in office up to the present day; but "it cannot be said that the appointment has led to the results anticipated; in fact, it is not too much to say that it actually prevented the Guardians from carrying out improvements which they themselves had planned."

"It should be borne in mind that up to the time of the sworn inquiry the work of the Board was carried out in close connection with the Commissioner and that this Government official, who has now been appointed to replace the dissolved Board, is no less responsible than the Guardians if there have been defects in its working."

"The report sent in by Mr. MacLysaght, the Inspector who held the sworn inquiry, does not show in what way, if any, the Guardians failed 'in the performance of their duties.' He confesses that the work of the Union is a 'colossal undertaking,' and his report is so confused and misleading that it shows he does not distinguish between the system and the work."

"The Inspector has no fault to find with the Guardians' management of finance and contracts, the departments in which the business capacity of a public board are best proved. He has entirely failed to grasp the financial form of the Board when it came into office, although it was very clearly explained by the Chairman of the Board in his evidence that the Board on taking up office had to shoulder a debit of almost £50,000 more than was provided for in the estimates for the year 1920-1921.

"The Chairman also stated that 'the position at present is: that were the Union to be completely abolished on the 31st March next, the March accounts could be paid in full from the current estimate, and there would as well be still available a fairly substantial credit balance.' This will be the more easily understood when it is stated that on the 21st November (the date on which the Board was dissolved) the credit cash balance on hands was £14,000 and there was due from the contributory bodies £29,672, making in all £43,672 available for the new Commissioners to carry on to the 31st December of this year.

"The demand on the public rates for the year 1920-21 was £394,635, and for the current year (1923-24) £255,881, representing a reduction of about 1s. 6d. in the £ in the poor rate. At a time when there is an outcry against public bodies on the ground that rates are increasing, this is a record that any Board might be proud of. It is a wonderful tribute to the administration of the Guardians that, by the most rigid economy and good management, they were able, not alone to maintain the institution, but also to make considerable improvements."

Regarding the inspector's statement that "the amount received for maintenance is not as high as one might reasonably expect in such a large institution," the Guardians say that the inspector does not mention that the amount was more than four times as much in 1922-23 as it was in 1919-20, and, moreover, that the Poor Law system does not make it easy to provide for people who are able to pay for their maintenance.

Dealing with the system of accounts, and the inspector's statement that "the Guardians were unable to grapple with the question," the Guardians say that the system is laid down in the Union accounts order, and they had no power to make alterations in it.

Referring to the inspector's complaint that the dispensaries are "in a dirty condition," the Guardians point out that the medical inspector who visited the premises just before the sworn inquiry did not say that they were dirty or unsuitable.

The Guardians characterise the reference in the inspector's report to child welfare work as "confused, contradictory and misleading," and say that it is "plainly evident, from the manner in which the inspector speaks of the work of the Ladies' Committee, that the administration was not at fault."

On the question of appointments, to which the inspector drew "serious attention," the Guardians say that he has not shown a single case in which an official was appointed for any other reason than his suitability. The number of appointments made by the Guardians was not more than twenty, and no new position was created. The inspector's statement with regard to sick leave is described as "misleading and unfair."

The statement ends:—

"Can efficiency and economy be obtained by the complete transference of control from a Board of Guardians informed by practical experience and enforced study of the Poor Law to paid Commissioners, or group of paid Commissioners? Are these paid Commissioners experts? Were they actually appointed before the inquiry commenced? These questions should be answered satisfactorily before the public calmly acquiesces in this autocratic change and allows, without demur, the casting aside of its elected representatives."

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Theatre Royal—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Gaiety Theatre—Closed.
Queen's Theatre—"Cinderella," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"The Dop Doctor," 6.45 and 9.
Tivoli Theatre—Dixie Minstrels, etc., 6.45 and 9.
La Scala Theatre—"Her Mad Bargain."
Metropole Cinema—"The Christian."
Grafton Picture House—"Salome."
Sackville Picture House—"Bits of Life."
Carlton Cinema—"North of the Rio Grande."
Corinthian Picture House—"Your Best Friend."
Bohemian Picture Theatre—"On the High Seas."
Princess Cinema, Rathmines—"The Lane that had No Turning."
Stella Cinema, Rathmines—"The Kid."
Pavilion, Dun Laoghaire—"The Girl from Porcupine," 3.30 to 10.15 p.m.
Dun Laoghaire Picture House—"The Harbour Lights."
Dublin Corporation, 3 p.m.
Kinuva Rubber Co., 36 College Green, 12 o'clock.
Uganda Plantation Co., Ltd., 36 College Green, 12.15 o'clock.
"Messiah"—Mariners' Church, Kingstown, 8 p.m.
Dublin Sessions—Green Street, 11 a.m.
Ladies' Inter-Varsity Hockey Match—College Park, 2.30 p.m.
All-Ireland Badminton Close Championship Tournament—Art Hall, Ballsbridge.

U.S. MARKETS.

STOCKS CLOSED IRREGULAR.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Stocks opened firm. There was marked strength in Fertilisers and Oils, which rose 1 to 3, while Corn Products Refining advanced 4 points, but some Public Utilities and Sugars were heavy. The market closed irregular. Government Bonds irregular. Railroad Bonds irregular. The day's sales totalled 530,000 shares. Money on call dull. Sterling exchange steady. Silver unchanged for foreign mined at 65⅛.

Canadian Pacific, Great Northern Preference, and Pan-American Ordinary advanced ½; Chesapeake and Ohio Common, Erie 1st Preference, and Southern Pacific ⅜; Erie Railroad Shares, 1⅛; Texas and Pacific, ½; Union Pacific Common and Union Pacific Preference, 1; and International Mercantile Marine Preference, 3¼.

Illinois Central declined ⅞ and National of Mexico 1st Pref. 1.

Erie General Lien Bonds advanced ⅛.

Eng. Parity	Stocks.	Closing Bid Prices Fri.	Closing Bid Prices Sat.	Business Done H.	Business Done L.
116½	Funded	102¾	102⅝	—	—
110½	Atch., Top., Santa Fe	97½	98¾	—	—
99¾	Do. Preference	87½	87½	—	—
67	Baltimore and Ohio	58⅝	58⅞	—	—
166⅝	Canadian Pacific	144⅝	145	—	—
80⅛	Chesapeake Ohio Com.	69	69⅜	—	—
14½	Chic. Mil. & St. Paul	12⅝	12⅞	—	—
63¼	Chicago and N.-West	50½	51	—	—
3	Erie 1st Preferred	28½	29	—	—
67½	Do. 4% Gen. Lien Bds.	54⅞	54⅝	—	—
63⅜	Great Northern Pref.	56⅜	57⅛	—	—
118½	Illinois Central	102⅞	101½	—	—
69⅛	Lehigh Valley	60⅛	60⅜	—	—
103	Louisville & Nashville	90¾	90¾	—	—
11⅜	Missouri, Kan. & Texas	11⅞	12	—	—
74½	Do. New 4½ Bonds	65⅝	65⅝	—	—
60	Do. Adj 5% Bonds	53	53	—	—
11⅛	Missouri Pacific New	9⅞	9⅝	—	—
3	Nat. of Mexico 1st Pref.	4	3	—	—
[illegible]	Do 2nd Pref	1½	1¾	—	—
119¾	N.Y. Cnl. & Hudson R.	104⅞	105⅞	—	—
117	Norfolk & West Com.	103	103	—	—
60⅝	Northern Pacific Com.	52½	52⅞	—	—
[illegible]	Ontario and Western	16	16	—	—
46	Pennsylvania Shares	42	42	—	—
88½	Reading Shares	77⅜	77⅞	—	—
53½	Do. 1st Preferred	53⅝	55⅛	—	—
90	Do. 4% Mort. Bonds	86⅞	86⅞	—	—
42½	Southern Railway	37⅝	37½	—	—
99	Southern Pacific	86⅞	87⅜	—	—
22½	Texas and Pacific	19⅝	20	—	—
146⅞	Union Pacific	127⅞	128⅞	—	—
82½	Do. Pref.	71	72	—	—
103	Do. 4% Bonds	90⅞	90⅝	—	—
12½	Wabash Common	11	11½	—	—
39½	Do. Preferred A	34⅞	34⅞	—	—
67	Amer. Smelt. Refin. Com.	58⅞	58⅝	—	—
42½	Anaconda Copper	37¾	37⅞	—	—
[illegible]	Brit.-Amer. Tobacco	22	22½	—	—
6	N.Y. Cons. Gas	57¾	57⅜	—	—
23½	General Electric	198	198	—	—
109½	U.S. Steel Common	95⅛	95⅛	—	—
135	Do. 1st Preferred	119⅞	119⅞	—	—
116½	Do. 2nd 5% Bonds	102	102⅞	—	—
—	Silver (Foreign Mined)	65⅛	65⅛	—	—
7	Inter. M.M. Com. Certs.	6⅞	6⅞	—	—
34⅞	Do. Prefd Certs	28⅞	29	—	—
54½	Royal Dutch Oil	49⅛	49⅝	—	—
40	Shell Trans.	31⅜	31⅝	—	—
73¾	Pan-American Pet.	63½	63½	—	—
17⅞	Anglo-American Oil	15⅛	15⅛	—	—
17⅞	General Motors	15⅞	15	—	—
41⅝	U.S. Rubber	38½	38	—	—

*Asked. †Ex div. ‡Ex Bonus. §Ex rights.

	Friday	Saturday
Call Money	4½b. 4¾a.	Nominal
Ex on Ln. 60 days st.	4.34.12½	4.35.12½
Ex. on Ln. Demand Bills	4.36.75	4.37.87½
Cable Transfers	4.37.12½	4.38.12½
Ex. on Paris	5.31	5.29½
Cotton Mid. Upland	35.60	34.35
Do. New Orleans, Mid.	34.75	34.0
Cottonseed Oil P. Summer Yellow Spot	10.87	10.87
Cot. Seed Oil, Yel., Jan.	11.12	11.06
Petro. Refined, in cases	17.15	17.15
Do. Standard White	14.00	14.00
Do. Philad. Stan. do.	14.00	14.00
Do. Pennsyl. Crude	2.85	2.85
Spirits of Turpentine	94	94
Do. Savannah	86½	87
Resin, Grade K	4.25	4.30
Do. Grade F	4.47½	4.50
Lard, Prime West. Stm.	13.20	13.20
Do. Midland West	13.30—13.40	13.30—13.40
Tallow, Extra	8¾	8¾
Sugar, New Cuban	7.47	7.41
Corn, West., No. 2 Mix.	87	86⅞
Wheat, No. 2 Hd. Wtr.	120⅞	121
Do. No. 2 Red Winter	120⅞	121
Do. No. 3 Mix. Drm.	105⅝	106⅞
Coffee, Rio No. 7	10⅛	10⅛
Flour Spring Clears	5.00—5.50	5.00—5.50
Iron, No. 2 Nor. Fdry.	22.00—23.0	22.00—23.00
Tin, Straits	47.25	47.25
Zinc, East St. Louis	6.25	6.25
Electrolytic Cop. Spot	13½—13¾	13½—13¾
Do. do. Futures	13¾	13¾
Freight Heavy Grain to U. Kingdom, per bushel	2/6—3/3	2/6—3/3
Freight, Heavy Grain to Continent, per bushel	16	16
Freight, Cont. to L'pool (high density)	25	25
Do. Stand. (per 100lb.)	30	30

PRODUCE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

WHEAT—Spot market steady, ¼c. up. Exporters took 25 boatloads. Receipts—Atlantic, 543,000; last year, 883,000. Clearances, 8,000; last year, 936,000.

FLOUR quiet.

CORN—Spot market easy, ¼c. cheaper. Receipts—Atlantic, 149,000; last year, 143,000. Clearances, nil; last year, 69,000.

LARD—Cash quiet and unaltered.

COFFEE opened steady, 10 to 7 points higher, on favourable Brazilian market news and buying by Europe and Wall street, and although there was some realising in the late dealings the market closed steady at 10 to 5 points rise. Spot steady and unchanged. Approximate sales, 12,000 bags. Futures—Dec., 10.28; March, 9.41; May, 8.75; July, 8.58; Sept., 8.34.

RUBBER steady and unchanged to ¼c. down. First latex crepe, 26¼; smoked ribbed sheets, 26¼.

SUGAR—Spot steady at 6 points loss. Porto Rico unquoted. Approximate sales, 7,000 tons. Futures steady, 3 to 6 points dearer. Jan., 5.30; March, 4.70; May, 4.75; July, 4.80. To-day's Cuban sugar sales—10,000 bags at 7.41 to refiners for prompt shipment, 25,000 bags at 7.41 for shipment latter half of December, and 25,000 bags at 7.28 for shipment first half of January.

COTTON opened easy, 30 to 57 points lower, and further weakened under weak cables and selling for foreign, Wall street and Southern accounts; then rallied for a while on predicted heavier exports and purchases by the trade and New Orleans, but again receded because of curtailment by New England mills, a predicted falling off in the spot demand and selling of a general character. Despite some late covering, the market closed irregular at 71 to 45 points fall. Spot quiet at 65 points decline. New Orleans spot 75 points down. The current week's receipts at the ports are estimated at 240,000 bales. Receipts—Atlantic, 6,000; Gulf, 26,000. Exports—Britain, 30,000; Continent, 3,000; Japan, 4,000. New York futures in last twenty seconds of trading—Dec., lowest 33.85, highest 33.85; Jan., 33.16, 33.20; Feb., 35.35, 33.35; March, 33.54, 33.59; April, 33.62, 33.62; May, 33.75, 33.80; June, 33.35, 33.38; July, 33.00, 33.15; Aug., 30.20, 30.20; Sept., 28.19, 28.19; Oct., 27.38, 27.65; Nov., 27.05, 27.05. New Orleans futures in last minute of trading—March, lowest 33.30, highest 33.40; May, 33.22, 33.35.

COTTON OIL irregular.

PETROLEUM steady. TALLOW steady.

IRON steady and unchanged.

TIN steady at previous rates.

ELECTROLYTIC COPPER steady, unchanged.

KANSAS CITY—Wheat steady and unchanged; No. 2 hard winter, 110¾.

ST. LOUIS—Wheat dull; No. 2 red winter, nominal.

MINNEAPOLIS—Wheat firmer, ⅛c. dearer; No. 1 Northern spring, 112¼.

WINNIPEG—Wheat opened steady, ⅛c. to ⅜c. up, and closed firmer, ⅛c. to ⅜c. higher; May, 98¼; July, 100. Oats firm, ⅛c. dearer; May, 41¼.

CHICAGO, Saturday.

WHEAT opened steady at former currencies, and then declined for a time owing to a bearish private Canadian crop estimate, Armour interests selling, and in sympathy with corn, but later took an upward turn on bullish Liverpool cables, commission house buying and bull support. The market closed steady and unchanged to ⅛c. up. Spot steady. No. 2 hard winter spot, nominal; No. 3 hard winter spot, 106; Dec., 103¾; May, 108¾; July, 106¼.

CORN opened easy, ⅛c. to ⅛c. down, and went lower under increasing stocks and interior receipts, and liquidation of December contracts; then took a turn for the better on small country offerings and covering operations. The market closed steady, ⅛c. lower to ⅛c. higher. Spot No. 2 mixed, 81¼; Dec., 70¼; May, 73¼; July, 74¼.

OATS steady and unchanged to ⅛c. down. Dec., 42¼; May, 45¼; July, 43¼.

PROVISIONS opened easy, and declined on expected heavy hog receipts West next week, packers selling, realising, and a disappointing cash demand, but eventually partially rallied on a firm hog market and shorts being disposed to cover. The market closed steady, with lard 10 to 5 points lower and ribs 2½ points down to unchanged. Lard—Jan., 12.10; March, 12.07½; May, 12.15. Pork unquoted. Ribs—Jan., 9.70; May, 9.87½.

BACON steady and unchanged. Receipts of hogs at fifteen principal Western centres, including Chicago, since November 1st total 5,920,000, against 4,794,000 same season last year. The week's hog pack totalled 239,000, last week 269,000, and corresponding week last year 209,000.

HOGS steady and unchanged to 5 points up.

	Bacon. 60lbs. average.	160 to 250 lbs.		240 to 320 lbs.	
To-day ...	10.00	6.60	7.10	7.00	7.25
Prev. day..	10.00	6.60	7.05	7.00	7.25

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tral declined ½ and National of ref. 1.
l Lien Bonds advanced ½.

STOCKS.	Closing Bid Prices		Business Done.	
	Fri.	Sat.	H.	L.
p., Santa Fe...	102⅛	102½		
eference	87⅛	87⅛		
and Ohio	58⅜	58⅝		
Pacific	144⅛	144		
e Ohio Com...	69	69⅛		
l & St. Paul..	12⅜	12⅝		
nd N.-West	70½	71		
Preferred	90¾	79		
Gen. Lien Bds.	84⅛	84⅝		
rthern Pref. ...	86¾	87⅛		
Central	102⅜	101½		
Valley	66⅝	66⅝		
& Nashville	90¾	90¾		
Kan. & Texas.	11⅜	12		
ew 4s Bonds ...	85¾	85¾		
5s Bonds ...	85	83		
Pacific New ...	9⅞	9⅞		
Mexico 1st Pref.	4	3		
nd Pref	1⅜	1		
& Hudson R.	104⅜	101⅝		
& West Com.	102	103		
Pacific Com...	52¼	51⅞		
nd Western ...	18	18		
ania Shares	42	42		
Shares	77⅝	77⅝		
Preferred	55¼	55⅝		
Mort Bonds..	81⅝	80⅝		
Railway	37⅝	37⅝		
Pacific	86⅜	87⅝		
d Pacific	19⅝	20		
acific	127¾	128½		
ref.	71	72		
Bonds	90⅛	90⅛		
Common	11	11⅛		
eferred A	24¾	24⅝		
ael. Refin. Com.	23⅛	24⅛		
Copper	37½	37⅝		
r. Tobacco	22⅛	23⅛		
s. Gas	37⅜	37⅞		
Electric	19⅛	19⅝		
d Common	95⅝	95⅝		
d Preferred	118¾	119⅛		
d 5s. Bonds	102	102⅛		
oreign Mined)..	85⅛	85⅛		
M. Com. Certs..	6⅝	6⅝		
efd Certs	28⅛	30		
eed Oil	49⅛	49⅝		
ner	31⅝	31⅝		
ican Pet.	63¾	63⅝		
erican Oil	15⅜	15⅝		
Motors	18¾	18⅝		
ber	38⅝	38		

x div. † Ex Bonus, ‡ Ex rights

	Friday	Saturday.
.....	45sh. 4½s.	Nominal.
days' st..	4.34.12½	4.33.12½
nand Bills	4.36.75	4.37.87½
.....	4.37.12½	4.38.12½
pland	35.00	34.75
ans. Mid.	34.75	34.62
P. Sum..		
.....	10.87	10.87
Cl. Jan..	11.12	11.00
in cases.	17.15	17.15
d White..	14.00	14.00
Straw, do.	14.00	14.00
Crude...	2.88	2.88
enuine ..	94	94
sh	86½	87
.....	4.25	4.00
.....	4.47½	4.50
est. Sum .	13.50	13.50
West ...	12.50—13.00	13.50—13.00
.....	85¼	85½
loan	7.47	7.41
o. 2 Mix.	87	86¾
fd. Wtr..	120½	121
ed Winter	126½	127
Mix. Drm.	105¾	106¼
7	10½	10½
Clears ...	5.00—5.50	5.00—5.50
r. Pdry...	22.00—23.00	22.00—23.00
.....	67.25	67.25
Louis	6.25	6.25
Spot..	13¼—13⅝	13¼—13⅝
ures	13¾	13¾
Grain to		
er bushel.	2/6—3/3	2/6—3/3
Grain to		
r bushel.	10	10
to L'pool		
.....	25	25
r 100lb.)	30	30

ODUCE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Saturday.
t market steady, 1c. up. Exporters nds. Receipts—Atlantic, 645,000; 000. Clearances, 8,000; last year,

market easy, 1c. cheaper. Re- 149,000; last year, 143,000 last year, 69,000.
quiet and unaltered.
ned steady, 10 to 7 points higher, Brazilian market news and buying Wall street, and although there ing in the late dealings the market 10 to 5 points rise. Spot steady Approximate sales, 12,000 bags. 10.28; March, 9.41; May, 9.75; pt., 8.34.
eady and unchanged to 1c. down. c. 26½; smoked ribbed sheets, 26½. steady at 6 points loss. Paris Approximate sales, 7,000 tons. s to 5 points dearer. Jan., 5.50; May, 4.75; July, 4.30. To-day's ales—10,000 bags at 7.41 to re- nt shipment, 25,000 bags at 7.41 tter half of December, and 25,000 r shipment first half of January.
ened easy, 30 to 57 points lower, eakened under weak cables and laza. Wall street and Santiago 1c. rallied for a while on predicted and purchases by the trade and but again receded because of cur- w England mills, a predicted falling demand and selling of a general pite some late covering, the market t at 71 to 45 points fall. Spot ints decline. New Orleans spot 26. The current week's receipts at estimated at 240,000 bales. Re- 6,000; Gulf, 26,000. Exports to Continent, 3,000; Japan, 4,000. ures in last twenty seconds of trad- west 33.85, highest 33.85; Jan., Feb., 33.35, 33.35; March, 33.54, 33.62, 33.62; May, 33.75, 33.80; 33.35; July, 33.60, 33.15; Aug., Sept., 28.19, 28.19; Oct., 27.38, 27.06, 27.05. New Orleans futures of trading:—March, lowest 33.50, May, 33.32, 33.35.
L irregular.
M steady. TALLOW steady.
y and unchanged.
at previous rates.
TIC COPPER steady, unchanged.
TY—Wheat steady and unchanged; inter, 110½.
—Wheat dull; No. 2 red winter,

LIS—Wheat firmer, 1c. dearer; No. ring, 112½.
—Wheat opened steady, 1c. to 1c. firmer, 1c. to 2c. higher; May, Oats firm, 1c. dearer; May, 41½.
CHICAGO, Saturday.
ened steady at former currencies, ded for a time owing to a bearish an crop estimate, Armour interests sympathy with corn, but later took n on bullish Liverpool cables, com- buying and bull support. The steady and unchanged to 3c. up. No. 2 hard winter spot, nominal; inter spot, 106; Dec., 105½; May, 106¼.
ed easy, 1c to 1c. down, and went creasing stocks and interior receipts. of December contracts; then took e better on small country offerings operations. The market closed er to 1c. higher. Spot No. 2 mixed, ½; May, 73½; July, 74¼.
and unchanged to 1c. down. Dec., ½; July, 43¼.
s opened easy, and declined on en- oraz receipts West next week, packers ng, and a disappointing cash de- entually partially rallied on a firm nd shorts being diagnosed to cover. ed steady, with lard 10 to 5 points e 2½ points down to unchanged. 10: March, 12.07½; May, 12.15. Ribs—Jan., 9.70; May, 9.87½. dy and unchanged. Receipts of principal Western centres including November 1st total 8,920,000, 000 same season last year. The ek totalled 239,000, last week corresponding week last year

y and unchanged to 5 points up. Bacon. 160 to 280 240 to 320 lbs. average. lbs. lbs.

10.00	6.60	7.10	7.00	7.25
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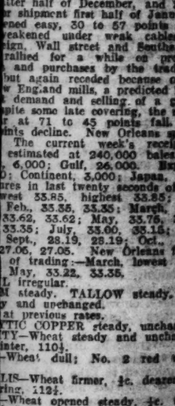

Mrs. Phipps at the meet of the Bray Harriers.

Bray Harriers at Rathfarnham.

Harte takes a shot in Railway Union II. v. Dalkey.

Incidents in the Railway Union II. v. Dalkey match at Park avenue, Dublin.

Lady Powerscourt and Mr. Towmey (M.F.H.) at Rathfarnham.

Sigerson Cup. Galway's goalkeeper saving well with a header.

Sanderson (Wanderers) being pulled off in match with N.I.F.C. in Belfast.

Clontarf back kicking into touch in match with Dublin University.

A study in expressions in the Instonians v. Bective Rangers at Donnybrook.

Ballagh (Bective full-back) eludes Douglas (Instonians) and finds touch.

North forwards get well away with the ball against the Wanderers at Belfast.

A. S. Pollock (N.I.F.C.'s scrum) passing out of scrum in match with Wanderers.

Dingaan's Day Dinner in Dublin—Group of South African students from Dublin University at the Metropole on Saturday night.
Left (Sitting)—W. Lewis, S. P. Pienaar, D. M. Brink (Secretary), W. Van Rens Burg, J. A. du Toit.
Right (Sitting)—D. J. Roux, G. J. Joubert, F. J. Marais, F. Swanepoel (Chairman).
Standing (Left—Right)—M. G. Booysen, E. Meiring, J. N. S. Gouws, C. G. Nel, R. L. Forsyth, Dr. J. H. Stals, Dr. J. H. Hodgson, Dr. S. C. Du Plessis, Dr. D. J. Malan, H. Hugo, P. Van der Merwe, W. J. Van Zyl.

Hockey Officials—Mr. James McMahon (Secretary of the Hockey Union) and Mr. J. S. Jackson.

Another Triumph for Duncan

He is the winner of the **FIRST PRIZE of £100** in the **FINAL** of the 'Weekly Dispatch' Bonny Children Competition and proclaimed **"Britain's Finest Baby"**

There were over 52,000 entries. Previously this fine little boy gained a first prize in the weekly awards in connection with this competition, and took three first prizes at Baby Shows. Reared from birth on the 'Allenburys' Foods, Duncan's striking success is but another instance justifying the confidence which thousands of mothers place in the

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DEAFNESS and WIRELESS

HUNDREDS OF SEVEREST CASES CURED BY REMARKABLE NEW PAINLESS TREATMENT

INSTRUMENTS AND AIDS NO LONGER NECESSARY

BRANCH OF FAMOUS LONDON INSTITUTE NOW OPENED IN DUBLIN

Certain types of deafness (with head noises), hitherto quite incurable, are now being cured or relieved by the hundred at the various branches of the Hamilton Wells Institute (of London), under the Famous Electric Vibro-Telephonic Treatment, a prominent feature of which is a wonderfully controlled system of aerial vibrations, somewhat similar to "wireless." So marked has been this success that the patients of the London Institute recently issued a striking joint letter of testimony to the Press, signed by no less than eighty patients, including a well-known Baronet, an Archdeacon, two magistrates, etc.

A most striking advance in the direction of the cure of deafness and head noises has been achieved by Mr. Hamilton Wells, the well-known specialist in electrotherapy, with the new scientific treatment known as the Hamilton Wells Electric Vibro-Telephonic System.

The new treatment bears no relation whatever to any of the numerous "quack" simple "remedies" or "quick cures" that have only proved their own worthlessness, but is a bona fide scientific treatment that has borne the closest investigation in authoritative circles, and has been successfully administered to doctors, magistrates, police officials, solicitors and others whose testimony can be viewed by the hundred.

INCURABLE CASES.

The cases usually presented for treatment are of the severest types, i.e., the hopelessly "incurable," the totally deaf, and sufferers (often of life long standing) with severe middle ear or auditory nerve affections; thickening of the tympanic membranes, torturing head noises, and so forth. Yet the results in many cases border on the miraculous. The new system is

ABSOLUTELY PAINLESS

and perfectly harmless to the most delicate. It is based on a unique system of wonderfully controlled vibrations in conjunction with a full range of natural notes of far greater amplitude than human speech. Catarrhal adhesions and other obstructions (and other such causes of deafness) are scientifically dispersed; the auditory nerve is gradually re-educated to the perception of normal sounds, and the hearing is progressively restored.

By a curious coincidence the following appeared in the news columns of the "Belfast Telegraph" on Nov. 22nd, headed:

"The Stone Deaf Hear."

"Inmates of the New York Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb, who have been regarded as 'stone deaf,' have been able to hear music by the application to their ears of amplified electrical vibratory sound currents."

The originals of the following and hundreds of patients' reports may be inspected at the Institute.

THE HAMILTON WELLS PATIENTS AND THE PRESS.

(Copy—Abridged.) (Dated August, 1923.)
To the London Press.

"Dear Sir—

"We, the undersigned, are, or have been, patients at the Hamilton Wells Institute.

"The majority of us whose names are appended have endured the terrible affliction of deafness for years. Under the Hamilton Wells treatment we have benefited in varying degrees up to the actual restoration of normal hearing in some cases. Even those of us who are only in the very early stages of progress have every confidence in the principals of the Institute, the treatment itself, and the high degree of efficiency with which it is administered by the nursing staff. We are treated with every care and kindness, and have not been misled by any exaggerated claims or promises. . . .

"Mr. Hamilton Wells has our wholehearted support.

"Yours faithfully,"

"(Signed by Eighty Patients.)"

FROM "TRUTH." (August, 1923.)

". . . . He (Mr. Hamilton Wells) brought with him a large number of case sheets annotated by patients during the course of treatment, and these invariably record the satisfaction of those who have undergone the treatment."

FROM "THE PALL MALL GAZETTE." (May, 1923.)

". . . . Few things are more edifying than to watch the progress of patients under the new Treatment, which may justly be described as no less than a modern scientific miracle. . . . ."

A Booklet, of absorbing interest to the deaf, has now been issued (postage 2d.)

The Specialist is in personal attendance at the Dublin Branch, and can be consulted, without fee, for the present, but only a limited number can be accommodated. He will state frankly whether a case can or cannot be accepted for treatment. No case is accepted unless a measure of success can be confidently anticipated. The consultation hours are from 10.30 to 6 p.m., (Saturdays 3 p.m.) or later by appointment.

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Manchester: 333, Oxford Road.
Belfast: 146, Dublin Road.

BIG CHRISTMAS MAIL

LANDED AT QUEENSTOWN.

The White Star liner Baltic, from New York, arrived at Queenstown yesterday and landed an American Christmas mail of 1,639 packs, the largest mail yet consigned to Ireland by a single steamer.

On her last outward voyage the Baltic intercepted a wireless call from the Atlantic transport liner Minnewaska stating that one of her passengers was in a dangerous condition and requesting surgical assistance. The Baltic's course was altered, and after two and a half hours' fast steaming she came up with the Minnewaska, on which a little girl, aged seven years, was seriously ill. Dr. Greame Robertson, the Baltic's surgeon, and the surgeon of the Minnewaska treated the child, and after three hours' attendance the little patient had improved so much that Dr. Robertson returned to the Baltic.

HOUSEOWNERS' RIGHTS.

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the Irish Houseowners' Protection Association at 32 Nassau street, Dublin—Mr. Fullerton in the chair—it was arranged to hold a general meeting of members in the first week in January next, with a view to consolidating the position of the Association. It was decided that, rents having been reduced in accordance with the increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (Restriction) Act, 1923, a vigorous campaign be instituted for the recognition by the Government of houseowners' rights, and that members of the Dail and certain public bodies be informed of the views of the Association in this connection.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

IRELAND'S OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY.

At the first general meeting of the League of Nations Society at Mills's Hall, Merrion row, Dublin, on Friday night—Senator J. G. Douglas presiding—a statement dealing with the formation and growth of the League of Nations Society for Ireland was read by Mr. H. F. Cotton. In July last the Society started with twelve members, and now they had a membership of 100. Mr. Douglas had consented to act as President, and Mr. Albert Le Brocquy was the Hon. Secretary.

Mr. Douglas returned thanks for his election as President, and paid a tribute to the Hon. Secretary, who was one of the few men in this country who really foresaw the possibilities for Ireland as a member of the League.

Mr. B. C. Waller said that the League aimed at a higher standard of Christian principles in international affairs. He pointed to the release of Russian prisoners brought about by Dr. Nansen under the auspices of the League, and said that relief work had been carried out in Poland and at Smyrna. The League in one year had cost, roughly, £1,000,000, but if it could offer a safeguard against war it was the cheapest form of insurance.

The Chairman said that it was essential that they should act as an independent political entity and take an intelligent interest in the League. They should also bear some of the responsibility to which their independence entitled them.

On the motion of Miss Agnes O'Farrelly, M.A., seconded by Sir John Lumsden, who urged the registration of a Red Cross Society at Geneva, a resolution of thanks was passed to Mr. Waller.

THE CAVAN SHOOTING.

WOUNDED FARMER'S DEATH.

James Soraghan, who received four bullet wounds when raiders attacked him and his wife in his home at Corlisles, Kilnaleck, on Tuesday night, his wife being shot dead, died in the County Surgical Hospital at Cavan yesterday morning.

SPECIAL STEAMSHIP BOOKINGS.

In connection with the Christmas traffic, the British and Irish Steam Packet Company, Limited, announce special bookings by their Dublin and Liverpool Express Passenger Service to the various English stations. Tickets are available for sixteen days on the 21st and 22nd December. Steamers on the service are of the new oil-burning type, affording luxurious accommodation to passengers.

COTTAGE BURNED DOWN.

A four-roomed thatched cottage, occupied by Mr. John McCorville, aged 67, his son and daughter-in-law, at Lurganville, near Lurgan, was completely destroyed by fire, with its contents, on Saturday morning. The occupants escaped with very little clothing. The loss was not covered by insurance.

Insurance at low rates with Phœnix Assurance Co., Ltd., 10-12 Trinity street, Dublin.—J. R. Warner, Manager. Agents everywhere. —(Advt.)

A Policy with the Irish National Assurance Company, Ltd.; Head Office, 30 College Green, Dublin, will protect you. All classes of Insurances undertaken. 'Phone 2902, Dublin.—(Advt.)

DUBLIN SPRING SHOW.

SERIES OF LECTURES FOR FARMERS.

At the last meeting of the Committee of Agriculture of the Royal Dublin Society at Leinster House, Dublin—Mr. Harry Franks presiding—Mr. Edward Bohane, C.B.E., Director, reported the election of the Committee for the ensuing year. Mr. Harry Franks and Lord Holmpatrick were re-elected chairman and vice-chairman, respectively, of the Committee.

It was decided to make arrangements for lectures on agricultural subjects during the Spring Show week for the benefit of farmers attending the Show, and the Director was empowered to endeavour to secure Professor Sir John McFadyean to lecture in Dublin on "Epizootic Abortion" on the first evening of the Show if possible.

The suggestion of the Irish Hereford breeders regarding the classification for bulls at the Society's Show and Sale was approved.

The following were present:—Viscount Powerscourt, K.P., H.M.L. (Vice-President); Mr. D. R. Pack-Beresford, O.B.E., D.L. (Hon. Secretary); Mr. W. J. Walsh, Mr. Hewitt Barrington Jellett, Captain A. F. Maude, Rear-Admiral A. Craig-Waller, C.B.; Major E. M. Connolly, C.M.G.; Professor J. P. Drew, A.R.C.Sc.I.; Lieutenant-Colonel Coote Hely-Hutchinson, Mr. Henry Bruen, D.L.; Major-General Sir William B. Hickie, K.C.B.; Mr. J. R. Campbell, B.Sc.; Major W. G. Dease, Mr. R. W. Hall-Dare, D.L.; Mr. Leonard Poë, Lieutenant-Colonel T. J. de Burgh, D.L.; Captain George Hewson, D.L.; Mr. John Leonard, Captain R. H. Fowler, D.L.; the Hon. Mr. Justice Wylie, Colonel Sir N. T. Everard, Bart., H.M.L.; Captain J. H. Greer, D.L., and Mr. R. E. Wright.

EXECUTION IN DUBLIN.

DROGHEDA PRISONER HANGED.

The fourth death sentence passed at the recent Commission in Dublin was carried out at Mountjoy Jail, Dublin, on Saturday morning, when Peter Hynes, of Drogheda, was hanged for the murder of Thomas Grimstone, known as "Tommy the Soldier," at Flatten, Co. Meath, in January last.

The only persons present at the execution were the chaplain and prison officials. Pierpoint was the executioner.

At the trial it was proved that Hynes brought Grimstone to a hay-loft where he was in the habit of sleeping, and the murder took place during the night.

At the inquest held by Dr. Oswald J. Murphy, Acting Coroner, Dr. Hackett, medical officer of the prison, said that death was instantaneous and was due to dislocation of the cervical vertebrae.

A verdict in accordance with the medical evidence was returned, the jury adding that the act of hanging was carried out in the execution of justice.

Mr. D. O'Flaherty, solicitor, represented the State.

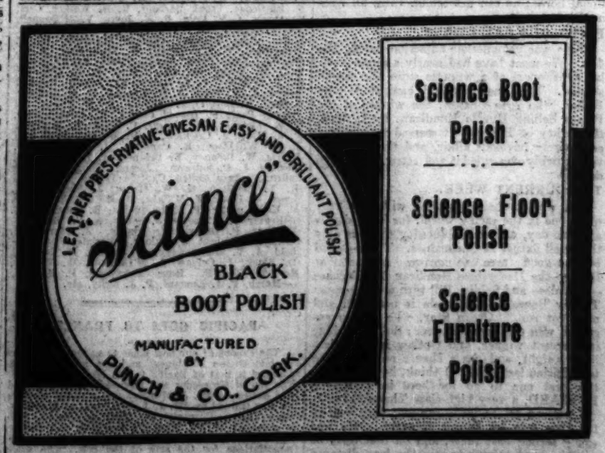
MYSTERIOUS AFFAIR AT HULL.

A domestic servant, Lily Hunter (15), has been admitted to the Hull Infirmary suffering from severe head wounds. She is critically ill and unable to make any statement.

She was rescued by a pedestrian from an agricultural drain on the outskirts of the city on Saturday night, standing waist-deep in water. She was bleeding from the head. The police think that she was attacked with a blunt instrument while going home.

The Duke of Connaught has promised to attend the Empire Day parade organised by the League of the Empire, which will take place next year in Hyde Park on Empire Day, Saturday, May 24. The Navy League, the Church Lads' Brigade, the Boy Scouts, and a large number of other uniformed bodies have already arranged to take part.

The Duke of Manchester, who recently went to Canada to take up gold mining, said, upon his arrival at Southampton by the Aquitania yesterday, that his mission had been very successful. He wondered that Canadians did not concentrate more on mining than on raising grain.



GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE

ECHOES OF THE SALES.

AMERICAN DISAPPOINTMENT.

A QUIET WEEK IN PROSPECT.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Sunday Night.

It is understood now that the mares Tetrabbasia and Sister-in-Law, bought at the Newmarket Sales last week by Mr. S. H. Darling, were not for Mr. A. K. Macomber, as was thought at first, but were for Sir Alec Black, the Grimsby trainer-owner. At the end of the war Sir Alec Black looked like coming into racing on a large scale, but the mortification of losing both the Epsom and the Irish Derby with The Panther seemed to be too much for him, for he sold The Panther, and his colours dropped out. He has, however, kept on his stud, and the costly lots he took last week suggest that he wishes to breed on the higher scale.

TWO-STEP AND U.S.A.

Basil Jarvis is keeping his own counsel as to whom he bought Two-Step for. There is a possibility that she will go to the United States eventually. Prospective American buyers who come to the sales are disappointed; they heard about the bad times in England, and they came with the full intention of securing bargains. These, however, were few and far between, and in most cases they went away empty-handed. One partner in a bloodstock dealing agency confesses that he had commissions for £20,000 worth of stock from America, which he was unable to execute on account of the way in which prices soared.

Personally, I find it difficult to account for the very remarkable turn which the sales took. One expert suggests that it was fear of the advent of a Socialist Government that induced people to put their money into what he calls an "intangible" security such as bloodstock, but it is doubtful if bloodstock is any more "intangible" than any other form of security.

DEMAND FOR HOME BLOODSTOCK.

Another critic is convinced that the rise in values is accounted for by the substantial increase in racing stakes that has taken place during the last year or two. There is a good deal of commonsense in this. I think we can, however, take a broader view, and say that Irish and English bloodstock is still so paramount, and still in such strong demand throughout the world that rich men recognise it as a first-class medium of investment and that it is to a great extent a gilt-edged security. Particularly shrewd business men like Lord Dewar and Sir Alec Black do not invest their capital heavily in speculative propositions, and that they have sufficient confidence in the future of the industry to lay out a great deal of money in this way is in itself a very interesting sign of the times. Although Lord Dewar is a very good sportsman, he is hardly what might be called a keen racing man. He does not often come to a meeting, and he does not race entirely from a sentimental interest in seeing his colours carried in public.

RACING AT HURST PARK.

We saw some excellent racing yesterday at Hurst Park, where the Prince of Wales did not, after all, turn up to ride Phaco for Lord Westmorland in the Thames National Hunt Flat Race, on account of his having an engagement in the City. The horse was a certainty, and Lord Westmorland won very easily on him, so that we can assume that had the Prince been able to be present he would have had his first winning ride at the major meeting.

A PROMISING HURDLER.

Harry Beasley rode his second winner over hurdles in England when he got Mr. W. B. Purefoy's Savernake home a very easy winner in the Surrey Three-Year-Old Hurdle. Like Benjamin Cherry, who was slipped from the same stable a few weeks ago, Savernake came with the reputation of having been highly tried, and he was backed with rare confidence. Indeed, in a very big field, he and the more experienced First Magic were the only ones backed at all. First Magic was quite unable to give the weight away and he was beaten a long way from home. Dick Rees rode him out for a place, but he failed even to secure this. Harry Beasley rode Savernake with extreme confidence and the colt simply trotted it. Savernake, who is a half brother to Orby's Pride, Ardgour, and others, was, of course, bred by Mr. James Daly from Goura, who, I believe, has never yet thrown anything that did not win races. Savernake certainly made a promising début as a hurdler.

There was another interesting *début* during the afternoon—that of Mr. James White's North Waltham as a steeplechaser. It was not quite so flattering as that of Savernake, for he failed by three-quarters of a length to beat the Ardoon horse, Arduous, in the Priory Steeplechase, but he performed well enough to show that he has many possibilities as a 'chaser. He is a fine, upstanding horse of undeniable class, for has he not won a Manchester Cup! and last spring he showed himself to be a brilliant hurdler. His conqueror, Arduous, is a more than useful young horse, who comes now from G. Bennett's stable. Yesterday he was not so well backed as either North Waltham or The Bleeks. The latter again ran badly.

A SMALL FIELD.

What should have been the most interesting race of the day, the Lonsdale Handicap Steeplechase, degenerated into a three-cornered affair. There was little, if anything, to choose between Libretto, Sir Huon, and Harrismith in the market, the first-named having the fractional call. It was not so in the race, for Sir Huon made an exhibition of the two opponents, winning easily by four lengths from Libretto. Sir Huon only lost the lead once, when his jockey's reins slipped; but he was very soon in front again, and Libretto never had a chance with him, although he was giving 17lbs. to the second. Sir Huon put up a performance a good deal better than at Kempton against Hawker and Clashing Arms, and yet that day Mr. Bob Gore fancied him immensely, and had his maximum bet about him. The Findon stable has evidently struck the form it lost entirely last winter, for this was a nice success with Sir Huon, following on that of Eureka II. the previous week.

Mount Elmo made an appearance in the Lalesham Steeplechase, but there was no fancy whatever for his chance, and, like Tom Crow, it may be some time before we shall see him at his best in this country. He was never seen at all in the race, and did not finish. It was surprising to see Beggar's End fall at the very first fence, for he has usually shown himself a very safe sort of conveyance. At the second fence Mr. Harry Liddell's Winnall also fell, and about the same place Dick Morgan pulled up Nell Boy. What was happening in the race really did not matter very much, for Jack Anthony sent Holdcroft off in front at the start, and the further he went the farther he put himself in front. Eventually he won, pulling up, by twelve lengths from Ammonal, nothing ever having a look-in with him. Holdcroft, on the two-mile course at Hurst Park, is quite an exceptional horse; he can demoralise them all here in the first half-mile.

FRIVOLOUS OBJECTIONS.

There was yet another objection during the day. We must have had nearly a dozen similar experiences of a wrangle since the season started. This one was laid against George Duller, who rode Chaltol, the winner of the Palace Selling Hurdle Handicap, by L. Hall, the jockey on Ranter. It seemed to everyone an entirely frivolous affair, and the Stewards very quickly over-ruled it and estreated the £5 deposit.

THE CURRENT WEEK.

This eve of Christmas week will be a very quiet one in the racing world, for Thursday is a blank day, and on Wednesday there is only the small fixture at Chelmsford. There should be one good race to-morrow afternoon at Derby—the Derbyshire Handicap Steeplechase—if Ardeen and Soldier Bill turn out to oppose Turkey Buzzard. Ballinode is penalised and may not run. Ocean Star, who is also engaged, won this race last year; Snipe's Bridge is a recent winner, and Outlaw is in with a light weight, and has a chance on his second to Trentino last week. I think, however, that the best one to go for here is TURKEY BUZZARD, a very high-class 'chaser.

I noticed DUNCHER running very well in the race won by Zarane recently. He was easily second best there, and on that form he may be good enough to win the long distance hurdle handicap here. First Magic, after his effort yesterday, is not likely to be sent for the Three-Year-Old Hurdle, and in that event STUFF GOWN will very likely win.

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DERBY.

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1.30 Race—5 to 4 agst. Scottish Knight, 5 to 1 each Ben Loyal, Proxy and Muscadin, 7 to 1 each Bombproof and Ben Beoch, 8 to 1 each Lord Thanet and Questionnaire, 10 to 1 each Pivotal and Foolproof, 100 to 8 others.

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A Student of Form.

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FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR. P. J. CULLINAN.

The interment took place in Claddy Burial Ground, Bective, on Saturday, of the remains of the late Mr. Patrick J. Cullinan, Carrolstown House, Trim. The funeral *cortège* extended over a mile in length, and the huge attendance bore eloquent testimony to the popularity in which the well-known sportsman was held. There was an Office and High Mass for the repose of the soul of the deceased in St. Patrick's Church, Trim, in the morning, at which the Rev. F. Murphy, C.C., Trim, was Celebrant; Deacon, Rev. Dudin Smith, C.C., Athboy; Sub-Deacon, Rev. J. Farrell, C.C., Dunderry; Master of Ceremonies, Rev. Matthew Farrell, P.P., Athboy. Rev. Thomas Mulvany, P.P., V.F., Trim, presided. Chanters, Rev. J. O'Connor, C.C., Navan, and Rev. S. Gilmour, C.C., Kilmessan.

There was a large attendance of the clergy from all the surrounding parishes.

At 3 p.m. the remains were taken from the church and conveyed by motor hearse to the family burial ground at Bective. In Trim every shop was closed, and all along the route there were visible signs of mourning.

The chief mourners were:—Miss Nora and Miss Jane Cullinan (sisters), P. Dunne Cullinan (son), Messrs. H. J. Kirwan, and S. J. Hope (nephews), Raymond Stephenson (cousin), Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Walker, Jr., Frank Barlour, Miss Nora and Miss Jane Cullinan, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Persse (Stock bridge), Mr. P. Dunne Cullinan, and a beautiful floral cross from General Byrne Mahon.

The Rev. E. Kellaghan, Dunderry, assisted by the Rev. Thomas Mulvany, P.P., Trim, officiated at the graveside.

Amongst the general attendance were:—Lord HelmPatrick and Sir Thomas Ainsworth, joint masters of the Meath Hunt; Lord Fingal, Senator Sir Nugent Everard and Major Richard Captain H. M. Hickie, K. Arnott, Major Heath, John Fraser, F.T.C.D.; A. M'Cann, S. Maggan, J. J. Cosgrave, J. O'Connor, M. O'Connor, H. O'Reilly, A. Lowry, D. Rutledge, Frank Barbour, R. H. Walker, Cecil Graham, J. Kelly, D. Kelly, P. Joyce, W. M'Donnell, Thomas Smith, John Leonard, Captain Blacpoole, T. J. Malcomson, P. J. Strange, Captain Wilmshurst, C. Buckley, John Doyle, Joseph Doyle, James Doyle, D. O'Leahy, P. O'Reilly, Peter O'Reilly, D. J. O'Reilly, P. J. Reilly, Dr. Lynch, Stephen Brown, P. J. Brady, J. H. Langan, G. H. Jessop, T. Ball, A. Hall, C. Shannon, W. C. Kilroy, the Misses Farr, F. Farrell, Harold Clarke, W. Chamberlain, J. Fletcher, W. Bowers, C. Jean, F. M'Garry, P. Moore, Crickard, H. Murray, A. A. Reid, H. Wilkinson, R. E. Cameron, F. Mahon, H. Morris, W. Delaney, E. Delaney, Joseph Connery, R. Downes, J. C. Sullivan, Joseph Wilkinson, Hugh Cullen, Captain Cullen, Captain Eustace, Charles R. V. Prentice, Col. G. W. Oakes, Sir Thomas Esmonde, Lord Louth, C. Lewis, T. M'Cabe, E. M'Cabe, T. Taylor, F. Kelly, senior, F. Kelly, junior, R. Dargill, J. C. M'Keever, T. M'Keever, J. Spicer, A. P. Stafford, J. Carroll, Dr. Bayne, Dr. Deane, Surgeon-Captain G. Knight, V. Malone, Superintendent Mansfield, A. V. Montgomery, J. Malone, M. Leonard, D. Black, J. Colgan, J. M'Dermott, W. Turney, Rev. P. Hill, E. Hope Johnstone, P. Murphy, — Marsh, P. J. Leonard, P. J. Kelly, etc.

PACIFIC GOES TO FRANCE.

The exodus of our best class two-year-old winners of last season continues, and the latest one announced is that of Pacific to the Marquis di Seval. The son of Grosvenor and Peciencia, who was bred and owned by Mr. D. Moore, the great winner's late wife, trained by Mr. J. J. Parkinson at Maddenstown Lodge, Curragh, and that gentleman, who is manager of Mr. Musker's breeding and racing stable at Beckhampton, Marlborough, brought the negotiations for the sale of the colt. The price paid for Pacific has not transpired, but it is understood that it was large. The colt leaves Maddenstown Lodge to-day en route for France, but the present intention is that he shall follow Sunny 1924 the several engagements which he holds in France and England. The Marquis di Seval is one of the directors of the Office de Pur Sang in Paris.

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Derwent Steeplechase—Artistry.
Duffield Hurdle—Ben Beoch.
Three-Year-Old Hurdle—First Magic; if absent, Battle Cruiser.
Long Distance Hurdle—Assaroe or Prosperita.
Derbyshire Steeplechase—Turkey Buzzard. *Elvaston Steeplechase*—John Peel.

[The figures in front of the names of the horses are an index to placings in their last three engagements—reading from right to left; (s) signifies started slowly.]

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151	FLYING WINKFIELD (Mr. Burroughs)	Burroughs	10 11 12
	GRIMSTOCK (Mr. Hamilton)	Gillette	10 11 12
820	MARIGOLD (Mr. Hall)	Hall	10 11 12
341	MARINER'S TROPHY (Mr. Hall)	Hall	10 11 12
000	WRANGLE (Capt. Wheeler)	Kirk	5 10 12
000	EDENA GREEN (Mr. W. Tuner).		
	(The above have arrived.)		

104	BALLYHEEN (Mr. Milnes)	Hogan	10 12 7
610	TIME ENOUGH (Mr. Beebe)	Howe	7 10 7
0	GUILLE (Mr. Power)	Power	7 10 7
040	CLOSE HOUSE (Mr. Dillon)	Dillon	7 10 7
040	BRIDGET (Mr. Power)	Power	7 10 7
050	DUFFIELD'S DARE (Mr. Whitaker)	Power	7 10 7
128	ARTISTRY (Mr. Patrick)	Power	11 12
000	TRIGGY (Mr. H. Brown)	Power	11 12
000	ACE OF DIAMONDS (Mr. Gilsenan)	Power	11 12
042	POLYPHEMUS (Mr. Taaffe)	Power	11 12
000	MOUNT ELMO (Mr. Power)	Power	11 12
124	HIGHTUN (Mr. Bowers)	Power	11 12
000	HENRI MARTIN (Mr. Freeman)	Power	11 12
020	BARNAWEE (Mr. Beasley)	Power	11 12
000	DANIELLE (Mr. McCann)	Power	11 12
000	GAMBLER (Mr. Mullins)	Mullins	11 12
000	ALLOWED O'NEILL (Mr. Power)	Power	11 12
000	IMPROVE (Mr. Power)	Power	11 12
000	SNOW HAT (Mr. Crowley)	Power	11 12
000	SNOWBALL (Mr. McKeever)	Power	11 12
000	VARIABLE (Mr. Cummins)	Power	11 12

1.30—DUFFIELD (3.) HURDLE of £150. 2 m.

252	BOMBPROOF (Mr. Binstead)	Fleming	6 11 7
010	LORD THANET (Mr. Harrison)	Power	6 11 7
000	BRIGHT SHOT (Mr. Tarbert)	Hall	6 11 7
050	UNCLE DAVID (Mr. Power)	Power	6 11 7
0	QUESTIONNAIRE (Mr. Pleasants)	Fleming	4 11 12
000	CRUMPLE (Sir F. Price)	Gilsenan	3 10 5
	(The above have arrived.)		
543	BY PROXY (Colonel Anthony)	Hastings	5 12 5
100	SCOTTISH KNIGHT (Mr. Brady)	Blanchett	7 12 5
320	ROCKSPLIT (Mr. Carr)	Carr	12 12 5
000	BRIGHT SHOT (Mr. Comerford)	Lawson	6 11 5
000	NAVAL BOY (Mr. Delmege)	Lalor	7 11 5
000	PARKMAN (Mr. Wise)	Sutcliffe	6 11 5
	LITTLE MISCHIEF (Capt. Broadley)	Broadley	7 11 5
002	BEN OF CRAIGH (Mr. Holmes)	Power	6 11 3
200	FOOL PROOF (Mr. Holmes)	Power	6 11 3
111	BEN BEOCH (Mr. Dargan)	Power	6 11 3
000	PIVOTAL (Capt. Wheeler)	Power	6 11 3
335	MUSCADIN (Mr. Power)	Power	6 11 3
304	TELEFAMILY (Mr. Bennett)	Bennett	6 11 3
	FOOLPROOF II. (Mr. Dollar)	Power	6 11 3
000	ROCK DRILL (Mr. Power)	Power	6 11 3
000	AGGATHRIA (Capt. McPherson)	Power	6 11 3
218	BRIGHTON BELL (Miss Power)	Power	6 11 3
	MY PAL (Mr. Power)	Power	6 11 3
000	TROIKA (Mr. Power)	Power	6 11 3
000	QUINTELLA (Mr. Bolton)	Power	6 11 3
200	REFLECTION (Mr. Bowles)	Bowles	6 11 3
002	FLORRAT ACTONA (Mr. Ingram)	Power	6 11 3
010	STAND ASIDE (Mr. Parrish)	Hogan	4 11 7
000	FORMIDABLE (Mr. Power)	Power	4 11 7

2.0—THREE-YEAR-OLD HURDLE of £300. 1½ m.

000	FORMIDABLE (Mr. Power)	Power	11 0
0	YOUNG MAN'S FANCY (Mr. G. Gardiner)	C. Pigott	10 7
	CHICOT (Mr. King)	Leach, jun.	10 7
	THORPE LAD (Capt. Lowsley)	Chamberlin	10 7
080	JEANSOME (Mr. Bissell)	Sadler	10 7
240	SOLDIER BILL (Mr. Wood)	Ferguson	10 7
042	OUTLAW (Mr. Passmore)	Bullock	10 7
	(The above have arrived.)		
001	TURKEY BUZZARD (Mrs. H. Hollins)	Coulthwaite	11 8
314	ARDEEN (Sir K. Fraser)	Power	10 12 7
024	BODYGUARD (Mr. G. Carter)	Private	9 11 11
041	OCEAN STAR (Mr. McAlinden)	Hastings	9 11 11
001	SNIPE'S BRIDGE (Capt. B. Thompson)	Power	9 11 5
004	GARDENRATH (Mr. Layton)	Barthorpe	7 10 12

3.30—ELVASTON CHASE of £100. 3 m.

336	GALTEE BOY (Mr. McCarthy)	D. Rogers	5 11 11
0	BONSHAL (Mr. J. Howard)	Power	6 11 7
000	CONCILIATOR II. (Mr. Mayhew)	Scott	7 11 5
003	BRIGHT PROSPECT (Mr. Lloyd)	Lloyd	4 11 0
0	DUNSEE (Capt. Lowsley-Williams)	Chamberlin	4 10 0
	(The above have arrived.)		
211	THE RED KNIGHT (Mr. R. Stanley)	Hastings	4 12 0
000	DAFUR (Mr. H. Bayly)	Power	6 11 11
002	WILD TIMES (Mr. H. Brown)	H. Brown	6 11 11
000	BALLYLUNDAN (Sir J. Grey)	Barthorpe	7 11 11
001	EASY ACCESS (Capt. Broadley)	Harrison	6 11 11
030	DOWN SOUTH (Mr. Keenan)	Dowd	6 11 11
003	ROUGHWATER (Mr. McMorrow)	McMorrow	6 11 11
305	JOHN PEEL (Sir F. Price)	Gilsenan	6 11 11
020	DUG MAJOR (Mr. T. Richardson)	Bullock	9 11 11
0	SLOVENLY SAINT (Capt. Bonsor)	Jackson	6 11 11
000	NOBOLD (Mr. Kenyon)	Dodd	6 11 11
	BUSH BUCK (Mr. Delmege)	Lalor	6 11 5
000	ELECTRIC SPARK (Major Fawcus)	Fawcus	10 11 5
30	SNOW LOUGH (Mr. Rose)	Private	7 11 5
300	LINTHOUSE (Mr. F. Stokes)	Stokes	9 11 5
041	PREDIAL (Mr. Woodger)	Larkin	4 11 0
04	KNOCKNOUR (Mr. Bradley)	Kinsella	5 11 0
200	BONNIE FRINCH (Mr. CHARLEY)	Parnell	5 11 0
	JUDY (Mr. Greenwood)	Moss	4 11 0
400	FOXHOUND (Mr. Rose)	Sadler	4 10 9
035	BETHERSDEN MARBLE (Mrs. Rodd)	Hastings	4 10 9
000	DON (Mr. W. Walker)	Hastings	4 10 9

The Headmastership of Eton, the Rev. C. A. Alington, when distributing the prizes at Winchester County School, said the boys that among people preferred opinions on education from those who had not had the opportunity of forming an opinion, rather than from schoolmasters. He supposed that was the reason a gentleman, the other day, sent him a reply paid telegram, asking his opinion about alterations to the Grand National racecourse at Liverpool.

RUGBY.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

Owing to Wanderers and Old Wesley going to Belfast, the second matches in Section "A" were postponed, and the only matches played were the game at Lansdowne road between Lansdowne and Instonians. A very large crowd assembled to witness the game, which was a very interesting one, showing smarter play in the forwards than has been seen in any match this season. Lansdowne had the better of the exchanges in the first half, and were leading by 9 points to 3; but Instonians, playing with the wind in the second half, made a great fight, and, showing smarter play in the forwards, were able to win by 4 points to 10. Instonians' scoring was confined to the second half, when they put up a total of 10 points, which Lansdowne could only equal by 10 points. Instonians delighted the spectators by their sparkling cricket, while piling up a total of 13 points, which Lansdowne could only equal by 10 points. Instonians' points as the result of a penalty goal, a try, which F. Kirwan converted, and a dropped goal by Douglas, who scored, and Hewitt added the extra points. Beotive were now kept defending for a long time, and, after Douglas had just missed a penalty, Hewitt picked up and sent McClenahan over, but Douglas failed with the kick. The next Instonians' try was the result of a grand movement, in which nearly all the backs took a hand, and McClenahan finished it off by running in. But Hewitt could not improve. Soon after, relieved towards the close, and, working play to the Northerners' 25, were awarded a penalty, from which Atkins kicked a goal. Result—

Instonians—3 goals (1 penalty) 2 tries (13 points).

Beotive Rangers—2 goals (1 penalty) 1 try (11 points).

Instonians—H. Gillespie; R. O. McClenahan, G. B. Goldsborough, R. Gilbert, A. C. Douglas; F. W. Hewitt, J. McDowell, H. Copeland, J. C. Campbell, J. J. McDowell, A. H. Milliken, J. G. Ward, A. Shane, R. C. Blair, J. Neill.

Beotive Rangers—J. Ballagh; A. P. Atkins, V. S. Ballagh, D. Fedler, J. D. Fitzgerald, G. O'Neill, A. Wade, W. P. Colleary, R. Fleck, E. Powell, L. Egan, D. Ryan, J. McMurrough, J. D. Egan.

Referee—Mr. R. Crawford.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY (41) V. CLONTARF (0).

Dublin University gained a very decisive victory over Clontarf in the College Park on Saturday, running up the large score of 6 goals (1 dropped) and 4 tries (41 points) to nil. The students were weakly represented. Cussen, Bingham, Crichton, Sheppard and Nugent all standing down in view of the match with Cambridge on Thursday. Clontarf, who were also somewhat below strength, were outclassed in every phase of the play, and on but few occasions got beyond centre.

The visitors opened with a brisk attack, and in the first few minutes Hopkins had a chance of landing a go

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BOXING.

TED MARCHANT BEATS GEORGE CHANEY.

BALTIMORE, December 5.

George Chaney, of Baltimore, saved himself from a knockout by losing on a foul in the third round of his scheduled twelve-round bout with Ted Marchant, of England, here to-night. After being struck low in the second round, and having his claim of foul ignored by the referee, who counted nine over him, Marchant floored Chaney with a short right to the point of the chin. The bell rang at the count of six, and Chaney struggled to his feet, extremely groggy. Marchant tried for a knockout in the third round, and was battering Chaney against the ropes, when the local man suddenly sent his left hard to the groin. The referee immediately stopped the fight, and awarded Marchant the victory. Chaney weighed 9st. 10lb. and Marchant 9st. 8¼lb.

CRYSTAL PALACE TOURNAMENT.

The tournament at the Crystal Palace last week, promoted with the hope of discovering new boxing talent, can hardly be said to have fulfilled its purpose. Most of the competitors' form had been revealed, and there was nothing at all dazzling among the new men.

The results of the competition were as follows:—

FIRST SERIES.

Douglas Warner (Peckham) beat Jack Phoenix (Plymouth) on points after a very tough struggle.

Charlie Penwill (Redhill) beat Arthur Cameron (Fulham) in the second round.

Walter Henry (Coventry) k.o. Jack Dale (Edgware) in the first round.

Fred Tovee (Marylebone) beat Joe Mullings (Catford) in the fourth round.

Seaman Marchant (Portsmouth) k.o. Luke Huntley (Notting Hill) in the first round.

Bombardier Lantsbury (Kettering) beat C. Buckland (Norbury) in the fourth round, the bout being stopped.

Tom Clifford (Brixton) k.o. E. Phipps (Northampton) in the first round.

SECOND SERIES.

Harry Gold (Ealing) beat Harry Drake (Windsor) on points after a surprisingly good and forceful contest.

Isaac Ingleton (Nottingham) beat F. Hogan (Croydon), the bout being stopped in the fourth round.

Phillip Scott (Essex) beat Jack Hankinson (Northwick) in the third round.

Douglas Warner (Peckham) k.o. W. Conner (Durham) in the first round.

Charlie Penwill (Redhill) beat Walter Henry (Coventry) on points in easy fashion.

Fred Tovee (Marylebone) k.o. Seaman Marchant in the first round with a heavy right swing to the heart.

Tom Clifford (Brixton) beat Bombardier Lantsberry (Kettering) on points.

THIRD SERIES.

Isaac Ingleton beat Pat Tarling (Walthamstow) after a ragged and scuffling encounter.

Phillip Scott beat Harry Gold on points, demonstrating, if nothing else, that he was by far the better wrestler of the two.

Charlie Penwill beat Douglas Warner on points.

Fred Tovee beat Tom Clifford on points. This proved to be the best contest of the evening, Tovee showing more skill with his left hand, countering while Clifford was ever dangerous with his right arm swings, hooks, and jolts.

THE RING, BLACKFRIARS.

At the Ring, Blackfriars, on Saturday, Billy Pritchard, of Stalybridge, and Dudley Kid Harris, the American, met in a fifteen round return contest. Pritchard started cautiously, but later opened out and forced the fighting, and the contest went the full distance, Pritchard gaining the verdict on points. When they met previously in August Harris won in the first round.

PANCHO VILLA BEATS DONNIE MACK.

TORONTO (ONTARIO), December 5.

Pancho Villa, World's Fly-Weight Champion, knocked out Donnie Mack, Toronto, Bantam-Weight, in the fourth round of a ten-round match on December 5.

JACK JOHNSON REFUSED A LICENCE.

PHILADELPHIA (Pa.), (by Mail).

The State Athletic Commission refused to grant Jack Johnson, former HeavyWeight Champion, a boxer's licence, but unanimously agreed that he could have a trainer's licence in order not to deprive him of a living at the boxer's game. Johnson's age—45 years—was given by the Commission as the principal objection to a boxer's permit.

COMPANY NOTICES

BELFAST AND COUNTY DOWN RAILWAY COMPANY.

CLOSING OF REGISTERS OF HOLDERS OF DEBENTURE STOCKS, "A" PREFERENCE STOCK, AND THREE PER CENT. BARONIAL GUARANTEED SHARES OF THE ABOVE COMPANY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE REGISTERS above referred to WILL BE CLOSED from the 17th to the 31st DECEMBER, 1923, both days inclusive.

H. E. MELLOR, Secretary.

Queen's quay Terminus, Belfast,
5th December, 1923.

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Notice is hereby given that the Transfer Books of the above-mentioned Company will be CLOSED from 19th to 31st DECEMBER inclusive.

By Order of the Board.

THOS. LAURIE, Secretary.

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53 Bothwell street, Glasgow,
12th December, 1923.

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BADMINTON.

IRISH CLOSE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

In its 24 years of existence the Irish Badminton Union have never had a better Close Championship Meeting than that at present drawing to an end at the Art Industries Hall of the Royal Dublin Society, Ballsbridge. The game has never been more popular than at present, and the huge entry—264—constitutes a record. Four courts were kept going on Saturday from early in the afternoon till late at night, but the tournament will probably not terminate till to-morrow night. The arrangements, in the capable hands of Mr. Walter Sexton, President I.B.U. (who distributed the cups); Miss Stewart, Tournament Secretary; Major Plews, Hon. Secretary I.B.U.; Messrs. J. Plunkett Dillon, W. S. Keatinge, Crawford Mooney, T. E. Booth, and other members of the committee, were excellent; while the catering was very capably run by a number of ladies. In the Ladies' Singles Championship Miss Pilkington (holder) retained her title, defeating Miss Mulligan easily in the final. G. S. B. Mack (holder) had a walk-over in the final of the Men's Singles Championship, G. W. Murray scratching. Mack and R. Goff beat the brothers Kennedy in the final of the Men's Doubles Championship; and in the Ladies' Senior Championship Doubles Mrs. Anderson and Miss Pilkington beat Mrs. Plews and Mrs. Good, after a keen struggle.

The semi-final of the Mixed Doubles afforded one of the finest exhibitions of Mixed Doubles play ever seen at Ballsbridge. The players were R. H. Lambert and Miss Homan against F. Kennedy and Miss Pilkington. The first set went in favour of Kennedy and Miss Pilkington at 15-8, but thereafter every point was strenuously contested, and, though Lambert and Miss Homan proved the victors in the two following sets at 18-13, 18-16, as the scores indicate, the play was so level and so excellent that the difference between success and failure was almost imperceptible. In every respect the spectators received with frequent applause the varying fortunes of the games, and emphasised their appreciation of the skill displayed.

In the final G. S. B. Mack and Mrs. Beatty defeated Lambert and Miss Homan by 15-9, 15-9, when another first-class exhibition was given, but the predominance of Mack, who is now recognised wherever Badminton is played as one of the small number of unrivalled players, told in the end. As in his other matches in this tournament he here proved the truth of the opinion expressed by Sir G. A. Thomas in his recent book on the game—that no more perfect player exists to-day. The Irish Badminton Union will run their Open Tournament at Ballsbridge in February, and many cross-Channel experts are expected to compete. Play will be continued this evening and Tuesday. The following events will be played:—

To-day (Monday)—All competitions in Senior Mixed Doubles, A and B Handicap who are still in, to attend at 6.45 p.m., and all competitors in Men's Senior Handicap A and B, at 6.45 p.m. Novices.—All competitors in Mixed Doubles A, B, and C to attend at 6.45 p.m. Tuesday—All competitors in Men's Doubles, Novices, A and B, and these in finals of all Novice Classes. Details:—

LADIES' SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

Second Round—Miss Pilkington beat Mrs. Good—11-6, 9-11, 11-4.

Final—Miss Pilkington beat Miss Mulligan—15-4, 15-2.

MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

Second Round—G. S. B. Mack beat R. Goff—15-12, 15-1.

Final—G. S. B. Mack w.o., G. W. Murray scratched.

MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP (Junior).

Third Round—W. S. Keatinge beat McDougald—15-18, 17-16, 18-16; A. Hamilton beat D. M. Frazer—15-6, 15-10.

JUNIOR MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

First Round—Frazer and Miss Goodman beat Bell and Miss Parker—18-14, 14-17, 15-4; Mathers and Miss Mathews beat B. Hamilton and Mrs. B. Hamilton—15-2, 15-1; Atcheson and Miss Atcheson beat Goulding and Mrs. Miley—15-3, 15-5; O'Reilly and Mrs. Coulthorpe w.o.

JUNIOR MEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

Second Round—Evans and Booth beat B. Hamilton and W. Hamilton—15-5, 15-3; Woods and L. Dunlop beat Quinn and R. Maguire—9-15, 15-8, 15-8.

Semi-final—Booth and Evans beat Woods and Dunlop—15-6, 15-8; Hamilton and Murray beat O'Reilly and Percival—15-8, 15-8.

Final—Booth and Evans beat Hamilton and Murray—15-10, 15-11.

JUNIOR LADIES' DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

First Round—Mrs. Manning and Miss Cherry beat Mrs. Overend and Miss Good—15-1, 15-6; Mrs. Rounds and Miss Orr beat Mrs. Dillon and Miss S. Dillon—8-15, 15-12, 15-12.

SENIOR LADIES' DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

Semi-final—Mrs. Anderson and Miss Pilkington beat Miss Stewart and Mrs. Beatty—15-8, 13-16, 17-14; Mrs. Plews and Mrs. Good beat Mrs. Weir and Miss Mulligan—15-6, 15-7.

Final—Mrs. Anderson and Miss Pilkington beat Mrs. Plews and Mrs. Good—15-3, 9-15, 17-15.

SENIOR MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

Second Round—R. H. Lambert and Miss Homan beat O'B. Kennedy and Miss E. H. Stewart—15-4, 15-8.

Semi-final—R. H. Lambert and Miss Homan beat F. Kennedy and Miss Pilkington—15-8, 18-13, 18-16.

Final—G. S. B. Mack and Mrs. Beatty beat R. H. Lambert and Miss Homan—15-9, 15-9.

MEN'S DOUBLES SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

Second Round—Kennedy and Kennedy beat Plews and R. H. Lambert—15-8, 15-10.

Final—G. S. B. Mack and R. Goff beat Kennedy and Kennedy—15-10, 15-8.

ULSTER CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The finals in the Championship Tournament organised by the Ulster Branch of the Irish Badminton Union were played at Belfast on Saturday, and resulted as follows:—

Ladies' Doubles—Miss French and Miss Sweenie beat Miss Mocran and Miss Beattie.

Men's Doubles—J. A. Davidson and A. E. Austin beat Major M'Callum and E. C. Etherington.

Mixed Doubles—Miss Sweenie and J. A. Davidson beat Miss Kirkpatrick and J. Mathie.

In the handicap classes the results were:—

Ladies' Doubles (Class A)—Miss Mocran and Miss Beattie beat Mrs. Dobbyn and Miss Dobbyn. Ladies' Doubles (Class B)—Mrs. Kemp and Mrs. Woods beat Mrs. Leatham and Miss Pickering. Mixed Doubles (Class A)—Mrs. Britten and J. T. Turner beat Miss Beattie and A. Clarke. Mixed Doubles (Class B)—Miss Bowyer and W. J. Foster beat Miss Mitchell and A. E. Turner. Men's Doubles—H. B. Lenthall and C. F. Davies beat W. V. Thompson and H. MacDonnell.

DUBLIN FIRE.

The Dublin Fire Brigade was summoned on Saturday night to an outbreak of fire in a small shop on Ellis's quay. The fire was confined to the shop and was extinguished quickly. There was considerable damage done to stock, but the fire did not extend further, though the occupants of rooms above were removed for safety.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Monday, December 17, 1923

COURT OF APPEAL.—For To-morrow (Tuesday), 18th December. To be Mentioned—Sands v. McCann. For Thursday next, 20th December. Final Appeal—Workmen's Compensation Act, Lynch v. Griffin, County Court Judge of Limerick. New Trial Motion—Mulvihill v. Whelan.

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.—CHANCERY DIVISION.—Lord Chief Justice of Ireland. Before the Right Hon. the Lord Chief Justice of Ireland. In his Chamber, at 11.30 o'clock—Cranston, minors. In Lunacy. Before the Registrar, at 11.30 o'clock—Adj. summons, Wilson and Simms. At 12.30 o'clock—Adj. statement, W. J. Kearney. Before the Assistant Registrar. At 11.30 o'clock—Consider biddings, Colper. Before the Examiner. At 11.30 o'clock—Adj. summons, veh. account, G. Green; veh. account, S. Kerr. Lord Chief Justice's Chambers. Before the Chief Clerk—Creedon, minors; Taylor, minors. Before Dr. Webb—O'Sullivan, minors.

ROLLS COURT.—In Court No. 2. In Chamber, at 11 o'clock—Northern Banking Co., Ltd., v. Greene; National Bank, Ltd., v. Collins; Samuel Holmes, Ltd., v. Carr, decd.; Cherry v. Lett; T. Maher, decd., Walsh v. Maher; J. Mergan, decd., Mergan v. Mooney; P. Murray, decd., Murray v. Murray. Mathews v. Mathews; S. L. Acts and Harris; Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., v. de Courcey; Maguire v. Ledwith, Fitzpatrick v. Slattery; McGrath v. Lyons; Walker's trusts, exparte Crawford; Beatty v. Geal; Northern Banking Co., Ltd., v. Tolan; Assurance Companies Act and Northern Assurance Co., Ltd.; Toppin v. Slattery; Keelan v. Garvey.

CHANCERY JUDGE.—Before the Right Hon. the Master of the Rolls. In Court No. 2 (at the conclusion of the Rolls List). Petitions—Companies Acts and Irish Co-operative Clothing Society. Motions—Roche v. Tobin; Gelston v. Burke; Shillington v. Portadown U. D. Council; Palmer v. Fitzmaurice. At Chambers—Companies Acts and Fine Chemicals, Ltd. (in liquidation); Good v. Barrett; Atlas Assurance Co. and Assurance Companies Acts; Fox, decd., Fox v. Fox; Eves, decd., Cranston v. Eves; Cranny v. Ryan; Healy v. Healy; Byrne v. Keogh; Winston, decd., Patton v. Winston; Settled Land Acts and Byrne; Hickey, decd., Hickey v. Hickey; Keaven, decd., Keaven v. Golding; National Land Bank, Ltd., v. Heffernan; Settled Land Acts and Rooney; Pearl Assurance Co., Ltd., and Assurance Companies Acts; Wynne, decd., L'Estrange v. Perceval; Downey, decd., Heyburn v. Attorney-General; Nolan, decd., O'Kelly v. Attorney-General. For To-morrow (Tuesday), December 18th Motion—McGinley v. Gallagher. This Day. Before the Chief Clerk—Meehan v. Ward; Browne v. McAuliffe; Shelly v. O'Gorman, National Land Bank, Ltd., v. Jardin; Sheedy v. Walsh; Healy v. Healy. Before the Assistant Chief Clerk, at 11 o'clock—Graham v. Martin. At 12 o'clock—Brennan v. Flood.

CONSOLIDATED TAXING OFFICE.—Master Kilbride, at 11 o'clock—Meath County Council to Noonan, T. Noonan; Lawlor v. Ferbane Co-operative Agricultural Society, Hoey and Denning; Coughlan v. same, Hoey and Denning; Kenny v. same, Hoey and Denning; Curley v. same, Hoey and Denning; Guinan v. same, Hoey and Denning; Murphy v. Cronin, M. McCartie; Walsh v. Murphy, C. E. Murphy; Moore v. Walsh, C. E. Murphy. Master Denning, at 11 o'clock. Ex parte Taxations—A person of unsound mind, T. J. McGrath and Co.; Carrick-on-Shannon No. 1 Rural District Council to Kiernan, J. A. Kiernan; Leigh, minors, E. White. Master Macnamara, at 11 o'clock—Kelly, decd., Collins and Collins; Urlingford Co-operative Society v. Healy, J. A. Kennedy; Toppin v. Sheridan, J. A. Kennedy; McCabe v. Walker, Ryan and O'Brien; McCabe v. Walker, H. Lennon; Doyle, decd., Crookshank, Leech and Davies.

LAND JUDGES.—Receiver Office. Mr. Dickinson, Examiner, at 11 o'clock. Applications for Directions—National Bank v. Edie, from 10th inst.; Cairns v. Leachman; Sutton v. O'Brien; Eleanor M. Clarke. At 11.30 o'clock. Receiver's Accounts—Charles D. O'Rorke's estate; E. and G. Stapleton. At 3 o'clock—Lady Adelaide Fitzgerald, vouch; J. J. O'Riordan, vouch.

KING'S BENCH DIVISION.—In Court No. 3, at 11 o'clock. Civil Side—Exparte Motions. Summonses—Collier v. Mason; Thompson and anor. v. Knowd; Union v. Ryan; Power v. Power. Garnishee Order—Baltinglass R.D.C. v. Farrell. On Notice—Hall v. Richardson; Byrne v. Dublin Coun Council; Keohane v. Eady; Kearney v. Gillespie; Clarke v. Donnelly and Sons, Ltd.; Callaghan v. same; Hughes v. same; Maguire v. Murray and anor.; Midland Rubber Co. v. Carroll; Strong v. Gurren; Cooke v. Nixon; Daly v. Daly. At 12 o'clock. Crown Side—Exparte Motions. On Notice—The King (Armstrong) v. County Court Judge of Co. Wicklow. Revenue Side—The representatives of F. S. M'Call, decd. applts., Commissioners of Inland Revenue respdts.; J. P. Evans and Co. applts., Phillips, Inspector of Taxes, respdt.; Commissioners of Inland Revenue applts., Dublin and Kingstown Rly. Co. respdts. Crown Side (contd.). Magistrates' Cases Stated—Harten applt., Barton respdt.; Reilly applt., Reilly respdt. Before Master Jackson, K.C., at 12 o'clock—The Midland Warehouse Co., Ltd., v. O'Reilly. For Thursday, 20th December, at 12 o'clock—The "Freeman's Journal" (1919), Ltd., v. Hearn.

TRIALS BY JURY.—Before the Right Hon. Mr. Justice Pim, in Court No. 4, at 11 o'clock. City Common—O'Gorman v. O'Connell (possession); Poynton v. Hyland (work done); O'Connor v. D.U. Trams Co. (1896), Ltd. (personal injuries). A very large attendance of the City Common Jurors is required this morning at the Law Courts, Dublin Castle, in Court No. 4, at 11 o'clock. Absent jurors will be fined. For Tuesday, 18th December. Non-Jury—Humphries v. Wilson (personal injuries).

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.—At Examiners' Chambers. Before Mr. Monahan, at 11 o'clock—James W. Grene (E.C. 4603), vouch. Before Mr. Stubbs, at 10.30 o'clock—Emily Gartlan (E.C. 8482), vouch, from 13th inst. At 11 o'clock—Col. Charles Hackett (E.C. 8470), vouch. At 2 o'clock—Smith's estate (Montgomery's superior interest), vouch. At 2.30 o'clock—C. R. D. Gun Cuninghame (E.C. 7156) (Tombe's superior interest), vouch. Before Mr. Sullivan, at 11 o'clock—Mary E. Todd Pike (C.D.B. 10139), vouch. Before Mr. Longfield, at 11 o'clock—N. E. Wyse (E.C. 8565). Before Mr. Lett, at 11.30 o'clock—W. G. Wood-Martin (E.C. 9581), discharge rulings and settle schedule.

BANKRUPTCY.—Before the Chief Registrar, at 11 o'clock—Arrangt., ac. comp., E. F. Collins; Walsh, pr. its. and veh., Scallan and Co.; Isaacson, reference, R. H. Commins; arrangt., ac. comp., J. R. Peart; do., do., E. F. Collins; do., veh. ac. do., ac. comp. do.

BEFORE THE RIGHT HON. THE RECORDER.—At Green street, at 11 o'clock. Damage to Property Compensation Act, 1923. Applicants—Moran's Hotel; W. Drummond and Sons; William H. Kelly; C. H. Robinson; Berney Bros.; Mansfield and Son, Ltd.; Joseph W. Kelly; Hon. G. Campbell; John Hickey; E. H. Trapnell; Corporation of Dublin (14 claims); Louisa Bullard; Peter Doyle; Joseph Fagan; F. J. Askin; Dublin Bread Co., Ltd.; Michael Delahunty; Gavan Duffy; Eason and Son, Ltd.; P. J. Barnes; Robert H. Adamson; Robert J. Anderson; William Bolton and Co.; James Bergin; Patrick Brennan and anor.; British Petroleum Co.; Maurice Browne; Michael P. Burke; James Byrne; Agnes Barrett; Cassidy Bros.; W. C. Cremin; John Craigie; J. Johnston Cooney; Richard D. Carolin; James Clarke; Henry W. Church; Roger L. Chenu; Patrick Kavanagh; Magdalen Asylum; R. H. M. Reeves; Sir P. Shorthall; Joseph Hyland; H. P. Bridge; John Carthy; Brooks Thomas and Co.; Dr. F. W. Doyle; T. Dockrell and Co.; P. J. Dolan; P. Donnelly; Eustace Bros.; Eason and Son, Ltd.; Earley and Co.; T. J. Furey; Fox and Co.; James Fleming; Theobald Fitzgerald; Harry Ferguson, Ltd.; Fannin and Co., Ltd.; Joseph Fagan; R. T. Falkner; Olive M. Ganley; T. C. Rees; Downes Bros.; Joseph O'Bryen; Stanley Payne.

WORLD EXHIBITION AT COPENHAGEN.

COPENHAGEN, Sunday.

A World Exhibition is to be held in Copenhagen in 1928, and arrangements are already being made for the event by the Danish Government, backed by Denmark's principal industries. The Exhibition will cover an area of 300,000 square metres. The last World Exhibition at Copenhagen was held in 1888.

Fifteen Danish industrialists are to pay a visit to Belgium in a few months' time as the guests of the Belgian industrialists.

LINEN BEATING COTTON.

OPPORTUNITY FOR BELFAST INDUSTRY.

(FROM OUR BELFAST CORRESPONDENT.)

Is cotton doomed? This is the question which they are asking to-day in Linenopolis (Belfast). If it is not also being asked in Lancashire, it is because, in addition to the high price of raw cotton, the recent scientific developments of the Linen Research Institute are not fully appreciated. A brief examination of the present position of the two kindred fabrics, linen and cotton, will clarify the matter. Raw American cotton is sold to-day at 1s. 8d. per lb., or 170 per cent. over the pre-war figure. Flax, the raw material of linen, can be bought in Ireland at 10d. per lb., or only 37 per cent. above pre-war price. The various processes of retting, scutching, and spinning of flax are more expensive than the preliminary processes in the manufacture of cotton fabric. This is why some cotton is still cheaper than linen. Scientific investigation is stepping in with plans to reduce the flax process costs. A pedigree flax seed has been evolved after careful investigation, which will double the yield of flax, reducing the cost of flax by half. A mechanical flax-puller has been invented to replace the laborious hand flax-pulling, and this will enable flax to be more extensively grown for fibre purposes. Retting processes are also being perfected and cheapened. Linen fabric is more durable, and of greater strength than cotton. This was the reason it was used so extensively for aeroplane wings during the war—and since. Experiments, which have been made by a wear-testing and rubbing apparatus, have revealed the fact that certain dressings applied to flax yarns prior to weaving ,will increase their resistance ot wear as much as ten times. No housewife will purchase cotton articles, if she can get the more durable linen goods cheaper. Recent developments go to show that the time is approaching when linen will not only be as cheap as cotton, but even much less. In addition, the present durable qualities of linen will be much increased. It will be several years before the pedigree seed is available for extensive sowing, and the improvements of the linen processes are in general use. In the meantime, what is Lancashire going to do about it? Unless Lancashire and the cotton-growing countries bestir themselves, and produce cotton from less expensive raw material, I am afraid they will be doomed. The people, like the ancient Egyptians, will turn to linen, not only because it is best, but principally for the reason that it will be the cheaper fabric.

There was a good demand for flax at Ballymena Flax Market on Saturday. Forty tons of fibre were quickly bought at prices ranging from 10s. to 14s. 6d. per stone, the average price being 12s. per stone.

MR. J. MILNE BARBOUR'S VIEW.

Dear cotton is Ireland's opportunity, said Mr. J. Milne Barbour, Ulster Financial Secretary, on his departure to America on the Cunarder Scythia at Liverpool on Saturday. Ulster has had a very bad year in both shipbuilding and linen, but there is every prospect of a big improvement in the linen trade in view of the dearness of cotton. It is now possible to produce many articles of linen at no more cost than cotton, and as soon as the public appreciate this they will go in for linen goods in preference to cotton, which will be a very good thing for Ireland. I believe the coming year will be a good one for Ulster.

POLITICS AND TROPICAL PRODUCE SPECULATION.

(FROM OUR LIVERPOOL COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Political influences are having some effect on the tropical produce market, and although the election is over, the connection between business and politics has not yet altogether ceased. The uncertainty of the outlook has led to some selling on the part of speculators, with the result that in the case of most commodities there has been a slight reaction in values. In palm oil the week's sales have not been more than about 1,200 tons, and Soft Regulars and Low Irregulars have lost about 10s. per ton, while Lagos, Hards, and Sherbros are about 7s. 6d. per ton lower, current quotations being Lagos £38 5s., Sherbro £37 15s., Niger £38, and Benin £38. There is only a premium of about 2s. 6d. per ton for next year's arrivals, but buyers continue to give a preference to oil carrying the transit option.

Refined oils have shown a steady market throughout, with small improvements established here and there. The business passing, however, is on a much smaller scale than recently, and some descriptions are almost altogether neglected.

For ground nuts the market has again been firm, with Gambias £19 and decorticated Nigerians new crop to Northern Continental ports at £24 10s., while business in prompt delivery is reported at £25.

A wireless installation with a powerful amplifier has been erected in the Royal Midland Counties Home for Incurables at Leamington. The installation is the gift of Mrs. Goldie, in memory of her late husband, Mr. J. H. Goldie, who was for many years a member of the Committee of the Home.

FINANCIAL NEWS

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

The following is a full report of the business done on the Dublin and Belfast Stock Exchanges last week in each department, except Consols and War Loans. The day on which the business was done is indicated by the initial letter in parentheses, and dealings in odd lots are marked by an asterisk:—

DUBLIN.

Guaranteed Land—57½ (M.), 57 (W.), 57 (Th.), 57 (F.).
2¾ p.c. Land Stock—57 (M.), 57¼ (W.).
3 p.c. Land Stock—63¼ (M.), 62⅞ (T.), 62⅞ (W.).
Dublin Stock—66c. x.d. (M.), 66c. (Th.).
Dublin Port 3½ p.c.—58 (F.).
Bank of Ireland—247c (M.), 246c (T.), 246c (W.), 246½c (Th.), 246½c (F.).
Hibernian Bank—6½b 7a (M.), 6⅞ (T.), 6⅞ (W.), 6⅞ (Th.), 7 (F.).
Munster and Leinster Bank—6½ (M.), *6½ (T.), 6½ (W.), 6½ *⅛ *⅛ (F.).
National Bank—19½b. 20a. (M.), *19¾ (T.), 19½ (W.), 19½b. 20a. (F.).
Westminster Bank—17½ (M.).
Canadian Pacific Deb.—81½ (W.).
Cavan and Leitrim No. 2—54/-b (F.).
Dublin S.E. Ord.—18 (M.), 18½ (W.).
Dublin S.E. Pref.—45b 46½a (F.).
Dublin S.E. "A" Deb.—60 (M.), 60 (F.).
Great Northern Ord.—61½ (M.), 61½ (T.), 61½ (W.), 61½ (Th.), 61½ (F.).
Great Northern Pref.—63a (F.).
Great Northern Guar.—66½b (F.).
Great Northern Deb.—71½ (M.), *70c 1c 1 (T.), 71 (Th.).
Great Southern Ord.—45½ 6 (M.), 45¾ (T.), 45½ (W.), 45½ (Th.).
Great Southern Pref.—57 (M.), 57 (W.), *57 (Th.), 57½ (F.).
Great Southern Deb.—69½ (M.), 69½ (W.), 70 (Th.), 70 (F.).
London Midland and Scottish 4 p.c. Pref.—80½ (W.).
London Midland and Scottish 4 p.c. Guar.—82½ (W.).
Midland G.W. Ord.—*36 (M.), *35 (W.), *35 (F.).
Midland G.W. Guar.—*59 (W.).
Midland G.W. 4 p.c. Deb.—65 (W.).
Sligo and Leitrim "C" Deb.—*11 (T.).

Anglo-Argentine Tram 4½ p.c. Deb.—74½ (W.).
Arnott Ord.—97/6 (Th.).
Bleachers—48/- (M.).
Bradford Dyers—58/- (T.).
British-American Tobacco—104/3 (M.), 104/3c (T.), 106/6 (W.), 105/7½ (Th.), 104/6 (F.).
Burke Ord.—62/6 (M.), *62/6 (W.).
Burke Deb.—7½ (M.).
Castlebellingham Brewery Ord.—85/-a (F.).
City Dublin Steam—135½ (F.).
City Dublin Steam Pref.—100b (F.).
Calicos—30/3 (M.), 31/- (W.), 30/3 (F.).
Calico Pref.—*17/3 (W.).
Coats—62/- (M.), 63/-c 3/- 2/9 (T.), 63/7½ (W.), *63/4½ (Th.), 62/3 (F.).
Coats Pref.—11½ (W.).
Coats "B" Pref.—23/7½ (M.), 23/7½ (T.).
Courtaulds—60/9 1/- (M.), 61/6 1/9 (W.).
Dublin Distillers Pref.—66/6b 68/-a (Th.), 68/- (F.).
Dublin Trams—*6½ (T.), 6½ (Th.), 6⅞ (F.).
Dublin Tram Pref.—9⅞ (M.), 9⅞ (T.), 9⅞ (Th.), 9⅞ (F.).
Dublin Tram "A" Deb.—67c (W.).
Dublin Tram "B" Deb.—68½ (F.).
Dockrell Ord.—14/6 (W.).
Dockrell Deb.—6 (W.).
Dublin City Market—5⅛ (T.), 5⅛ (W.), 5⅛ (F.).
Dublin City Market Deb.—65 (T.).
Dunlops—8/4½ (M.).
Fine Spinners—48/- (T.).
Guinness—37⅛ (M.), 37½ ⅛ (T.), 37⅛ (W.), 37⅞ (Th.), 37⅞ (F.).
Hibernian Fire—4/1½ (Th.).
"Irish Times" 5½ p.c.—*67/6 (Th.).
"Irish Times" 6½ p.c.—*14/6 (T.), *14/6 *14/3 (F.).
Imperial Tobacco—*70/6 (M.), 70/6 *70/9 (T.), 70/9 (Th.), 69/9 9/6 (F.).
Irish-American Oil Pref.—19/6 (M.).
Johnston Mooney Ord.—57/6 (T.), 57/6 (Th.).
Lever 7 p.c. Pref.—21/6 1/7½ (M.), 21/7½ (T.), 21/4½ (W.), 21/6 1/4½ (Th.).
Lever 8 p.c. Pref.—21/1½ (Th.), 21/1½ 4½d. (F.).
Marconi—*43/9 (T.), 44/-b (W.), 42/- x.d. (F.).
Merchants' Warehousing—27/- (W.).
Mexican Eagle—*21/3 (M.), 20/6 9d. (T.), 21/- (W.), 20/1½ (F.).
Power Pref.—20/6 (M.), 20/6c. 3d. (T.), 20/3 (W.).
Parent Tyre Def.—24/6 (Th.).
Parent Tyre Pref.—12/9 (M.), 12/6 (Th.).
Pim Pref.—*74/- (W.).
Radio Corp. Com.—16/- (M.), 17/10½ 18/3 (T.), 18/3 (W.), *18/- (Th.).
Radio Corp. Pref.—17/6 (M.), 17/6 (T.), *17/3 (Th.).
Shells—76/3 (M.), *77/3 (T.), 78/9 (W.), 75/6 (F.).
Switzer Ord.—80/- (Th.).
Switzer Pref.—20/- (Th.).
Sewing Cotton—*49/6c (T.), 49/9 (W.), 49/9 (F.).
Todd Burns—15/- (F.).
Thwaites Ord.—85/- (W.), 80/7½ x.d. and b. (Th.).
Thom Ord.—*13/- (M.).
Vickers—14/3 (M.).
Walpole Pref.—60/- (W.).
White, Tomkins and Courage—24/-a (F.).
Yam Seng Rubber—*2/- (F.).

c—Cash. b—Bid. a—Asked.

BELFAST.

Belfast Corporation 3½ p.c. 1928—87 (Th.).
Belfast Corporation 3½ p.c. 1940—76 (Th.).
Belfast Water Commissioners 3 p.c.—64a. (F.).
Midland Bank New—9⅞ (M.).
Northern Bank A—5½ (W.), 5⅞ (Th.).
Northern Bank B—2⅛ (Th.).
Westminster Bank—17½ (M.), 17½ (F.).
Great Southern and Western Railway Debs.—70 (Th.).
Great Northern Railway Stock—61½ (M.), 61 (Th.), 61 (F.).
Great Northern Railway 4 p.c. Deb.—71 (Th.).
Belfast and Co. Down Railway 4 p.c. Debs.—81 (T.)
Belfast and Co. Down Railway 5 p.c. Guaranteed—94 (T.).
Belfast and Co. Down Ord.—83 (W.).
Brookfield Linen Co.—12½ (F.).
Belfast Ropework Co.—92 (M.), 91 (W.).
Bradford Dyers' Association Ord.—58/3 (W.).
British-American Tobacco Ord.—105/6 (Th.).
Courtaulds—59/9 (M.).
Coats Ord.—62/6 (F.).
Dunlop Rubber—8/0½ (M.), 8/- (W.), 8/- (Th.).
Dunville and Co.—11½ (W.).
Guinness—37⅞ (F.).
Imperial Tobacco—70/1½ (T.), 69/3, 69/- (F.).
Irish Distillery 6 p.c. Pref.—7½ (M.).
Irish Times 6½ p.c. 2nd Pref.—14/6 (T.).
Inglis and Co. Ord.—51/- (Th.).
Inglis and Co. 6 p.c. Pref.—21/1½ (F.).
Lever Bros. 7 p.c. Pref.—21/6 (M.).
Richardson, Sons, and Owden Ord.—4½b. (F.).
Robertson, Ledlie and Ferguson 6 p.c. Cum. Part. Pref.—6½ (T.).
Swedish Match—8½ (M.).
York St. Flax Spinning Co. Ord.—29½ (M.).
York St. Flax Spinning Co. 4½ p.c. Deb.—86 (W.).

(a.—Asked; b.—Bid.)

PRICES OF RECENT ISSUES.

Australia 5 p.c. (£49 paid), 1-½ prem. Bournemouth and Poole Electricity Supply £1 Ord., 2/6-3/- prem. Buchanan-Dewar 6 p.c. Pref., 19/9-20/3; do. Ord., 4⅛-⅛. City of Auckland (£25 paid), 1⅛-⅛ dis. City and South London 4½ p.c. Second Debs. (£25½ paid), 1½-1 dis. Daily Mail Trust 7 p.c. Debs. (£90 paid), ½-¼ dis. Denaby and Cadeby Main Collieries 6 p.c. Debs., 98½-9½. Finland 6 p.c. (£40 paid), 3-2½ dis. Lancashire Electric Light and Power Ord. (4/- paid), 1/9-2/3 prem.; do. 7 p.c. Pref. (6/- paid), 3/3-3/9 prem. London Electric Railway 4½ p.c. Second Debs. (£25½ paid), 1½-1 dis. Nigerian 4 p.c. (fully paid), 84½-5. P. and O. 5 p.c. Debs. (£23 paid), 1½-½ dis. Quebec Power "A" 6 p.c. Debs. (fully paid), 99½-100½. South Africa 5 p.c. (£29½ paid), ⅛-⅛ prem. South Australia 5 p.c. (£19 paid), 1½-1 dis. Southland Electric Power Board 5 p.c. Debs. (£59 paid), ⅛-⅛ prem. South Manchurian Railway 5 p.c. Bonds (fully paid), 84½-5½. Tamplin 7½ p.c. "B" Pref. (12/6 paid), 12/3-12/9. Tasmania 5 p.c. (£19 paid), ½ dis.-½ prem. Tata Power 4½ p.c. Decs. (£27 paid), 3½-2½ dis.; do. 7½ p.c. Debs. (£10 paid), 3-2½ dis.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

AMPAT (SUMATRA) RUBBER.—Final dividend of 7½ per cent., making 12½ per cent. for year.

ANACONDA COPPER MINING.—Dividend of 75 cents per share.

BRAHMAPOOTRA TEA.—Interim dividend of 10 per cent., less tax, on Ord.

CHILI TELEPHONE.—Interim dividend of 3/- per share, free of tax.

COPENG CONSOLIDATED.—Dividend of 9d. per share, less tax.

EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRALASIA AND CHINA TELEGRAPH.—Interim dividend for the three months ended September 30 of 5/- per share, free of tax.

EASTERN TELEGRAPH.—Dividend at 3½ per cent., less tax, on the Pref. stock for the quarter ending December 31, and the third quarterly interim dividend of 2½ per cent. on the Ord. stock, free of tax.

EBBW VALE STEEL, IRON AND COAL, LTD.—The directors have decided not to pay an interim dividend on the 7 per cent. Preference Shares in respect of the year ending March 31 next. This leaves the dividend eighteen months in arrear.

EL ORO MINING AND RAILWAY CO.—Report for the year shows a net profit of £55,228, and £39,074 was brought in, making £94,302. The directors have considered it advisable to place £30,000 to reserve against the amounts advanced to the Compania de Inversiones del Oro, S.A. As the equipment of the Noria Mine will entail an expenditure of, roundly, £110,000, it is with regret that the directors are unable to maintain a dividend of 1/- per share, and they recommend a dividend of 6d. per share, or 2½ per cent., free of tax, leaving £35,615 to be carried forward.

GEDULD PROPRIETARY.—Dividend of 16¼ per cent. (equal to 3/3 per share) (as compared with 2/3 per share in June).

JOHN BLAND.—Interim dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, less tax, for half-year.

MODDERFONTEIN DEEP.—Dividend of 80 per cent. (equal to 4/- per share) has been declared (against 3/- in June).

MILLAR'S TIMBER AND TRADING.—Dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, less tax, on Pref. shares for half-year.

NEVILLE SHIPPING.—Shareholders have been notified that an extraordinary meeting is to be held for the purpose of considering proposals for writing down the share capital from £100,000 to £25,000 by cancelling 15/- per £1 share. The accounts show that there has been a loss on sale of steamers of £75,468. For the year to August 31, 1923, a profit of £169 was made.

NEW YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD.—Dividend of 1¾ per cent. on Capital Stock.

NEW ERA CONSOLIDATED.—Dividend of 17½ per cent.

OGILVIE FLOUR MILLS.—Dividend of 3 per cent. on Common Stock for quarter.

ROBINSON DEEP.—Dividend on "A" Shares of 6/- per share.

SOUTH AFRICAN TOWNSHIPS.—Dividend of 10 per cent.

SUB NIGEL.—Dividend of 3¾ per cent. (9d. per share) (same as in June).

SOUTH AFRICAN COAL ESTATES (WITBANK).—Dividend of 2½ per cent.—6d. per share.

TARSLAG.—Dividend at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum on Pref. shares for the period ending December 31.

UNITED INDIGO AND CHEMICAL.—Interim dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum on the Ord., less tax, and at the same rate for the half-year on the Part. Pref. shares.

VICTORIA PALACE.—Dividend of 20 per cent.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

SUPERABUNDANCE OF CREDIT.

No special development of interest occurred in Lombard street on Saturday. Available supplies of credit were more than sufficient for current requirements, so that surplus balances were offered on nominal terms. Day-to-day loans were going on at 1½-2 p.c. and fixtures at 2½ p.c.

Bank Rate (Discount) changed July 5, 1923, 4%.				
60 days (Bns)	3⅛	Trade	4	4½
3 months	3⅛ 3½	"	4¼	4½
4 months	3⅜ 3½	"	4½	5
6 months	3½ 3⅝	"	4½	5
Loans to brokers day-to-day			2	1
for a week			2¼	2½
Deposit allowances: Banks at call				2
Discount houses at call				2
at notice				2¼

The selling rate for supplementary Treasury bills this week was fixed again at 2⅞ p.c., and, with loanable funds so plentiful, the tendency of discounts was easy.

Fine three months' Bank bills were quoted 3⅛-3¼ p.c., with the lower rate more effective, while the new Treasuries were 3⅛ p.c.

There was no particular inquiry for short-dated paper, January being 3 p.c. and February 3-3⅛ p.c.

Foreign exchanges remained inactive and without any noteworthy change in rates. France were a little weaker at 82.53, with Belgian francs steady at 95.00 to the £, while sterling on New York was maintained at 4.37⅛ dollars. Marks were quoted at 15-20 billions, while Polish marks remained weak, with sellers at 18,000,000 to the £. Greek drachmæ were still offered, being 255 to the £. South American currencies were steady, with Brazilian milreis a shade harder at 5⅛d. China exchanges further advanced, and rupees improved slightly to 1s. 5⅛d. The following are closing quotations:—

—	December 15.		December 14.		Normal Rate.
Alexandria	97⅜		97⅜		97½d
Amsterdam	11.44¾	11.45¾	11.45	11.45¾	12.10
B. Ayres	40⅛	40⅛	40⅛	40⅛	47.58
Barcelona	33.42	33.45	33.45	33.47	25.22
Berlin	17¼	billions	19	billions	20.40
Bombay	1/5	1/5⅛	1/5	1/5⅛	2/0
Brussels	94.95	95.05	95.00	95.05	25.22½
Calcutta	1/5	1/5⅛	1/5	1/5⅛	2/0
Christiania	29.10	29.14	29.10	29.15	18.15
Copenhagen	24.50	24.55	24.50	24.55	18.15
Czecho-Slov	149¼	149¾	149¼	149¾	—
Finland	177	177¼	176¾	177¼	25.22½
Greece	250	260	240	250	25.22½
Hong Kong	2/3⅞	2/4⅜	2/3⅞	2/4¼	—
Hungary	80,000	95,000	80,000	90,000	—
Italy	100⅞	100⅞	100⅞	100⅞	25.22½
Lisbon	1⅜	1⅜	1⅜	1⅜	53⅛d
Madrid	33.40	33.43	33.46	33.48	25.22½
Mexico	26⅛d		26⅛d		24½d
Montreal	4.48	4.48¼	4.48	4.48¼	4.86
Montevideo	42¼	43¼	42½	43	51d.
New York	4.37¼	4.37⅜	4.36⅞	4.37⅜	4.86
Paris	82.50	82.55	82.10	82.20	25.22
Poland	18,000,000 sellrs		18,500,000		—
RiodeJan	5⅛	5¼	4⅞	5⅛	16d.
Roumania	840	860	845	855	—
Shanghai	3/4¼	3/5¼	3/3¾	3/4¼	—
Singapore	2/4⅛		2/4⅛		2/4½
Stockholm	16.60	16.63	16.59	16.61	18.15
Switzerland	25.08	25.10	25.07	25.09	25.22
Valparaiso	40.70		40.70		13.33
Vienna	308,000	313,000	308,000	313,000	—
Yokohama	2/1⅛	2/2⅛	2/1⅛	2/1⅛	24.

BIRMINGHAM MOTOR SHARE MARKET.

Friday's Closing Prices:—Alldays and Onions, 9d.; Austin Ord., 2/10½; do. B Pref., 3/6; do. Preferred 10 p.c., 1/10½; do. Deb., 54 (x.d.); Belsize Motor, 1/9; Birmingham Small Arms, 10/-; Bluemel Bros., 43/6; Bowden Brake, 9/10½; Bretts Stamping, 15/9; Brult, 4/3; Brooks (J. B.), 37/- (x.b.); Calcott Bros., 38/9; Calthorpe Invest., 5/9; Charron Motor, 1/3; Components, 4/-; Coventry Chain, 24/6; Crossley Motors, 5/1½; Dennis Bros., 31/9; Enfield Cycle, 21/6; Fodens, 22/-; Guy Motors, 3/9; Halford Cycle, 35/- (x.d.); Halley's Motor, 5/-; Harper Bean, 1/3; Hughes Johnson, 22/3; Humber, 22/3; do. Pref., 15/6; James Cycle, 15/9; Leyland Motor, 2/9; Leyland Rubber, 21/9; Lucas (Jos.), 44/-; Mandslay, 7/6; Napier Ord., 12/6; do. Pref., 15/6; New Hudson, 15/-; Riley (Coventry), 7/3; Rolls Royce, 28/7½; Rovers, 14/1½; Rudge Whitworth, 14/6; do. Pref., 3½d. (x.d.); S. T. D. Motors, 6/3; do. Pref., 11/-; Singer and Co., 24/-; Smith (S.) and Sons, 1/9; Smith's Stamping, 23/9; Standard Motor, 48/-; Star Engineering, 3/10½; Stepney Spare Wheel, 9/6; Stevens (A. J.), 22/6; Straker Squire, 9d.; Swift, 6/-; do. Pref., 9/9; Triumph, 30/6; Vanderyell (C. A.) and Co. Preferred, 4/10½; Vauxhall Motor, 6/6; Vulcan Motor, 2/6; Wolseley Motor Pref., 7/-; Wrigley (E. G.), 6d.; Dunlop Rubber, 7/7½; do. A Pref., 16/7½; do. B Pref., 14/9; Parent Tyre Ord., 15/3; do. Pref., 12/6; do. Deferred, 25/6; Tyre Investment, 6/6.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

From the recent report of the meeting it will be seen that a Kaffir finance undertaking, the African and European Investment, is gradually building up a very strong position, assets standing at £3,245,648, or a surplus of £1,297,000 over liabilities, to which can safely be added nearly another three-quarters of a million over book values, or equivalent to £2 per £1 share. In addition to its valuable freehold properties in London, Johannesburg, and Pretoria, the company has extensive interests in the Vereeniging Estates and the Union Steel Corporation of South Africa. The shares are, therefore, well worth the attention of investors.

The possible advent to power of Labour Government in the course of next month (says "The Sunday Times") has created unnecessary alarm in some quarters where it is not sufficiently recognised that such a Government could exist only on sufferance, and would be absolutely precluded from passing the Capital Levy or other subversive legislation. To realise good British securities with a view to reinvestment abroad, as some people are doing, is simply foolish, since, unless the holders reside abroad they are still liable to British taxation. The wisest course is to retain all such investments, but to play for safety in the choice of fresh outlets for capital. War Loan Five at about par are emphatically the best purchase that can be made at the present time. Conversion stock at 76 is a good second, since, although the price may recede further for a time, it seems bound to stand much higher eventually, and the investment is of a permanent character. Industrial Debentures and Preference shares are likely to meet with increased demand.

The transfer books of the Linen Thread Company's Debenture Stock will be closed from 18th to 31st inst. inclusive.

The transfer books of the Great Northern Railway Company's Debenture and Guaranteed Stocks will be closed from 28th December to 14th January, inclusive.

The transfer books of the Irish-American Oil Company will be closed from 19th to 31st December inclusive.

LONDON FREIGHTS—Saturday.

Homeward markets closed the week with a steady tone, but chartering operations were confined to moderate limits, chiefly for food stuffs at full recent rates. The River Plate section displayed steady features, interest being fairly well maintained in new season's grain vessels. Up river loading to U.K.-Continent Feb.-March quoted at 23/6 for large tonnage, 24/- to 24/6 medium to handy sizes, and 25/- small steamers. Numerous orders are circulating for linseed, Rosario to New York, at full recent rates, while nitrate shippers also offer full figures to Europe and North America. North Pacific grain steady, and medium size vessels quoted at 36/3 to U.K.-Continent, and 6½ dollars to Japan Jan.-Feb. North American grain fully steady, with improved inquiries. Northern States to Continent can repeat 14 cents to 14½ cents, while 18½ cents per 100lbs. is the ruling quotation for prompt loading to West Italy. Gulf cotton, timber, case oil and miscellaneous cargoes remain without material alteration. Cuba sugar charterers show fair interest in new season's loading on the basis of 21/6 to U.K.-Continent. Eastern markets quietly steady. Bombay on dead weight quoted 25/9 to 26/-, Burma rice 31/3, and Mauritius sugar nominally 27/6 to U.K.-Continent. Australian grain firm, owing to scanty tonnage offers. From Southern ports 40/- is bidding for Jan.-Feb. shipment, with owners holding for 2/6 to 5/- per ton more money to U.K.-Continent. Black Sea quietly steady at 13/3 to 13/6 Continent, and 17/6 North Europe, while Salina-Kustendji would come at 15/6 to Continent. Alexandria cottonseed maintains 11/- to Hull and 12/- per 50 cubic feet to London. Outward coal markets quiet, and with tonnage in liberal supply rates generally continue on the easy side. Other markets without new feature. Fixtures:—Robiala, 6,500 tons American Northern range to Rio Janeiro, Dec., 3 dollars 65 cents, coal; steamer, 3,000 tons heavy grain to start Rosario to Rotterdam, Jan., 21/3, berth terms; steamer, 4,000 tons heavy grain to start Rosario to Dunkirk, Feb., 21/3, berth terms; steamer, 5,200 tons, Wales to West Italy, Dec., 8/3, coal.

LIVERPOOL MEAT IMPORTS.

Six steamers landed cattle, sheep and lamb carcases, pork and fresh beef at Liverpool from overseas ports. The vessels, with their freights, were as follow:—The Montlaurier, from Quebec, with 800 carcases of pork and 4,173 boxes of meat; the Samaria, from New York, with 2,147 boxes of pork and 737 boxes of meat; the Manchester Producer, from Montreal, with 203 cattle; the Celtic, from New York, with 1,000 boxes of pork and 13,358 boxes of meat; the Runic, from Australia, with 909 sheep and lamb carcases and 598 cases of meat; and the Natia, from Buenos Ayres, with 20,168 sheep and lamb carcases, 61 carcases of pork, and 1,240 boxes of meat and 40,308 qrs. of beef—making a total of 203 cattle, 21,077 sheep and lamb carcases, 3,728 boxes and carcases of pork, 20,133 boxes of meat and 40,308 qrs. of beef. Compared with the arrivals of the preceding week, these figures show an increase of 687 sheep and lamb carcases, 10,021 boxes of meat and 423 qrs. of beef, and a decrease of 1,567 cattle and 366 boxes and carcases of pork.

DUBLIN PILFERING CHARGE.

Mrs. Margaret Curran, of 32 North King street, Dublin, was charged in the Dublin Police Court on Saturday with stealing a pair of gloves valued at £2 10s., a handkerchief, and some small pictures from Messrs. Switzer's establishment in Grafton street. Evidence was given that there had been so much pilfering from Messrs. Switzer's premises that policewomen had to be put on special duty there. Mrs. Curran was seen putting various articles into two bags which she carried over her arm.

Mr. Cooper said that his duty to the public was to send the accused to prison, but, in view of this being the festive season, he would accept her husband's bail for her future good behaviour. He recorded a sentence of six months' hard labour, which, he said, would be hanging over her head for two years. It is stipulated in the bond that the accused shall not enter Messrs. Switzer's premises at any time.

PRODUCE AND FOOD.

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES (THE BALTIC), Saturday.—WHEAT cargo market remains quiet, and values tend in buyers' favour; No. 1 Northern Manitoba Jan. sellers 45/6, No. 2 do. 42/9; white Pacific Jan. 46/-, Australian Dec. 46/3, Jan.-Feb. 45/6; Rosafe 63½ lbs. Jan.-Feb. 43/3, Barusso 62½lbs. do. 41/6, Black Sea on sample Dec.-Jan. 44/6. Parcels quiet, and the turn easier. No. 1 Northern Manitoba Dec. sold 43/6, Dec.-Jan. 43/3, Australian afloat sellers 46/-, Rosafe 63lbs. Dec.-Jan. 42/9, Barusso 63lbs. Jan.-Feb. 41/3 per 480lbs. MAIZE—Cargoes quiet, but Plate descriptions steady; Plate afloat sellers 38/3, loading 39/3; No. 5 yellow African afloat 37/9, Gal.-Fox. afloat 38/-, Jan.-Feb. 38/3. Parcels quiet, and tendency easier; Plate afloat sellers 38/6, Nov.-Dec. 38/-, Dec.-Jan. 37/10½; No. 2 mixed American, Dec.-Jan. 37/9, No. 6 yellow African do. 38/-, Gal.-Fox. Dec.-Jan. 37/9 per 480lbs. BARLEY quiet for cargoes; Dan.-Bess.-Kus. Dec. sellers 33/-, Persian Feb. 29/6, Karachi Dec. 31/9. Parcels firm; No. 3 Canadian Western Dec. 30/6, No. 4 do. 29/9, Karachi 31/6, Danubian 32/- per 400lbs., Californian afloat 43/- per 448lbs. OATS steady; Plate afloat sellers 20/7½, Jan.-Feb. 20/3; No. 2 Canadian Western Jan. sold 24/- per 320lbs.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday.—WHEAT—This market will be closed from 1 o'clock on Monday, December 24th, until Thursday morning, December 27th, for the Christmas holidays. Easier American advices and better weather in the Argentine were offset somewhat by smaller "Bradstreet's" weekly shipments, but forward deliveries of wheat here showed a fair decline at the commencement of operations. Then a partial recovery took place owing to "shorts" covering, but values again receded, though finished slightly over the worst point. C.i.f. parcels No. 1 Manitoba Dec. sold at 43/3, choice white Karachi afloat held at 44/3, and Rosario Santa Fe Jan.-Feb. 41/6 per qr. C.i.f. parcels MAIZE, Galatz-Foxanian afloat sold at 37/6 to Liverpool, and same position to Manchester at 37/4½, with River Plate Dec.-Jan. quoted 38/- per qr. Wheat on the spot quietly steady at yesterday's market currencies. Maize—Spot parcels firmly held at 8/1 to 8/1½ per cental for River Plate and yellow South African, 8/1 to 8/2 white African, and 8/- to 8/0½ Galatz-Foxanian. FLOUR quiet at the recent declines. Graded wheat futures opened ½d. per cental lower, recovered ½d., but closed steady at ¼d. under last night. Sales—30 loads at 8/11 to 8/10½ for Dec., 8/7½, 8/7¼ and 8/7½ March, and 8/6½ to 8/6¼ May delivery. Closing values—Dec. 8/10½, March 8/7¼, May 8/6½ per cental. Maize options nominally unchanged, Jan. 8/1¼, Feb. 8/2½ per cental. Imports of Grain (cwts.):—To-day—Wheat 20,160, maize 24,800; this week—wheat 331,360, flour 18,445, maize 86,168, peas 290, beans 5,590; this year—wheat 21,861,901, flour 789,705, maize 7,598,762, peas 314,535, beans 184,164; last year—wheat 18,564,108, flour 800,188, maize 7,948,876, peas 210,151, beans 70,736.

NEWCASTLE, Saturday.—Foreign wheat 11/-, English 9/6 to 10/-; barley, 9/- to 10/-; maize, 9/-; Scotch oats 10/- to 10/6, foreign 8/2 to 9/3; boxings, 8/9; bran, 8/-; broad bran, 9/6; flour, 27/- to 39/- per sack.

PROVISIONS.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday.—IRISH and DANISH BACON continues in fair demand, and late prices are fully maintained. Canadian Wiltshires quietly steady at recent currencies. American selections of bacon here attract little attention, but prices are unchanged all round, the further sharp rise in live hogs at Chicago fully counteracting the lower prices for products, while bacon arrivals at this port are small. HAMS quiet, but late prices are repeated. Shoulders also quiet for squares, with other cuts nominal in the absence of supplies. LARD on the spot remains scarce, with prime steam again nominal, and American refined firmly held at late rates, with a moderate inquiry experienced. CHEESE continues quiet, with prices unchanged for both white and coloured Canadian. BUTTER also quiet, and buyers still have the advantage in matter of price. EGGS remain firm at 30/- to 33/- for Irish hen, and 11/3 to 11/6 for Egyptian per 120. Imports of Provisions:—To-day—Bacon 22, hams 135, lard 240, cheese 1,910; this week—bacon 7,339, hams 3,246, lard 18,200, pork 207, cheese 5,142, beef 116; this year—bacon 401,552, hams 194,843, lard 896,000, pork 7,106, cheese 459,908, beef 2,601, butter 156,978; last year—bacon 338,343, hams 161,331, lard 908,806, pork 11,349, cheese 414,476, beef 6,117, butter 222,555.

REFINED LARD FUTURES, Liverpool, Saturday.—The decline in Chicago was more than counteracted by a good demand here, and with limited offerings prices improved 3d. to 6d. per cwt. Jan. realised 73/- to 73/6, Feb. 72/-, May 70/3 to 70/9, with Dec. quoted 77/5 to 78/3, and March 71/3 to 72/6 per cwt.

DUBLIN WHOLESALE VEGETABLE, Saturday.—Small arrivals of vegetables, as usual for a week-end market, which readily cashed at following prices:—York cabbage, 17/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, and 42/- per load; cauliflower, 2/- to 3/- per dozen; Swede turnips, 1/8 to 1/11 per cwt.; carrots, 1/6 to 2/- per bunch; thyme, 1½d. to 3d. per tray; parsley, 4d. to 6d. per ditto; celery, 1/6 to 4/3 per bundle; sage, 6d. to 1/- dozen; Savoy, 35/- to 38/- per load; onions, 7/6 to 8/6 per bag.

CORK BUTTER, Saturday.—The market's strong tone is being maintained and prices advancing. Creameries 230/- per cwt., choicest mild 224/-, special dairies extra, farmers' fresh deliveries 165/-.

MANCHESTER DEAD MEAT, Saturday.—Large quantities interior beef offering. Prime grades steady. Home killed—Beef sides 8d., seconds 7d. to 7½d. Mutton steady; hogs 1/1 to 1/2, lambs 1/2 to 1/2½, ewes 9d. to 10d. Chilled beef—Hind quarters 5½d. to 6½d., fore quarters 3½d. to 4½d.; mutton 5½d. to 7d.; lamb 9½d. to 11½d.

DUBLIN WHOLESALE FISH MARKET, Saturday.—Six chests lobsters and 60 boxes herrings, with small quantities from the usual country and local sources, were to-day's offerings on this market. Prices:—Large lobster 15/- to 22/6; seconds 10/- to 12/6; and smalls 5/- to 7/6 per lot of 13; large soles 30/- to 40/-, mediums 15/- to 20/-, and slips 5/- to 7/6 per 6 pair; turbot 1/6 per lb.; brill 6d. to 1/3 each; large plaice 4/- to 6/- per 6, mediums 4/- to 6/- per 6, small 2/-; codfish 50/- to 60/- and ray 10/- to 20/- per half box; herrings averaged 12/6 to 20/- per box.

GRIMSBY FISH, Saturday.—Demand fair. Plaice 12/-, lemon soles 22/-, halibut 15/- to 17/-, cod 4/- to 6/-, skate 6/- to 7/-, small haddock 3/- to 4/-, whiting 3/- per stone; soles 1/4, turbot 10d., brill 11d. per lb.

LONDON CENTRAL MEAT, Saturday.—Scotch, long 7/- to 7/8, short 5/- to 5/8; English, 4/4 to 5/8; Argentine chilled hind, 3/10. Mutton—Scotch wethers 7/8 to 8/8, ewes 4/- to 5/-; English wethers 7/4 to 7/8, ewes 4/- to 4/8; frozen, 4/4 to 5/4. Lamb—Scotch hill 7/4 to 9/-. Prices nominal; steady trade.

SPITALFIELDS POTATO, Saturday.—Liberal arrivals to fair request; rates steady; inferior and out of condition lots difficult to vend at lower prices. Lincoln King Edwards 7/- to 7/6, Arran Chief, Majestics, and blackland King Edwards 6/- to 6/6, ditto Evergoods 5/- to 5/6, and inferior 4/- to 4/6 per cwt.

PRODUCE.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday.—CANE SUGAR firm business in Brazilian December shipment 27/- c.i.f. Clyde. Sellers Cubans 28/9 January, and 25/6 per cwt. c.i.f. March basis 96 deg. pol. The following are Messrs. Tate's and Lyle's, Ltd., quotations to-day:—Cubes, ex refinery, in London—1st quality, 63/9 H.T.S. 63/9; afternoon tea, 64/6, less 1½ per cent. discount. COCOA—Spot steady; 1,200 bags Lagos f.a.q. sold 27/- ex quay in bond. New crop quoted 26/9 per cwt. f.o.b. for shipment, buyers 26/6 per cwt. COFFEE steady but quiet on spot. Little offering suitable grades. RICE firm; Burmah No. 2 for shipment 15/6 per cwt. c.i.f. asked. LINSEED—River Plate December to 10th January shipment steady, £20 5/- sellers, December-January now £18 7/6, and January-February new crop £17 15/- per ton. COTTONSEED firm; buyers Brazils f.a.q. for shipment £9 10/-; no sellers thereof. Buyers Metafil Tanguis Peru afloat and prompt shipment £11 10/-. HEMP—Manila firmer, with strong advices from America. SAGO FLOUR—Sarawak quiet on spot at 17/- to 17/6 ex store and sellers, February-April shipment at 15/- per cwt. c.i.f. JAPANESE PEAS steady but slow; spot quoted 25/6, and forward 22/- to 22/6 per cwt. c.i.f., according to position. RANGOON BEANS.—White hand-picked unchanged at 12/- to 12/6 on spot, and little offering. F.a.q. in store neglected at 8/1½ to 8/3 per cwt. COPRA scarce; sundried West African sorts nominally £27 10/- per ton. RICE BRAN steady but quiet; sellers Burmah afloat £6 12/6, January-February £6 10/-, and February-March £6 7/6 per ton ex ship terms. LOCUST BEANS—Cyprus little inquired for; 105/- to 107/6 per ton quoted c.i.f. for shipment in bulk. OIL CAKES—American linseed held for £12 ex store; Egyptian undecorticated cottonseed £7 7/6 December ex ship terms; business very moderate. Palm kernel in fair demand, and £7 per ton asked ex mills. PALM KERNEL OIL unchanged; Liverpool crushed prompt and extracted forward quoted £41, and crushed forward £42 per ton naked ex mills. COCOA NUT OIL—Ceylon slof of sale, with £47 per ton c.i.f. asked for arrival parcels. PALM KERNELS steadier; buyers forward £20, sellers £20 2/6 per ton. TALLOW firm and the demand from the Continent continues. Further business in South American Frigorific Uruguayo beef at 42/6 per cwt. c.i.f. shipment to Continent. DYEWOODS—Logwood and fustic quiet unchanged on spot. GAMBIER firm; block on spot held for 55/-, and forward 48/- to 49/- c.i.f., and No. 2 cubes for arrival quoted 85/- per cwt. ex ship terms. Offerings continue limited. CUTCH—Burmah prices rule steady on spot, with little available. GUM—Spot offerings Niger Arabic small, and holders very steady. RUBBER—Para quiet; fine hard spot 1/0½ per lb. CASTOR OIL firm, but business rather restricted; English quoted £60 seconds, £61 firsts, and £66 pharmacy ex mills Hull in barrels. For Belgian, prompt and forward shipment c.i.f. terms £63 5/- possible sellers pharmacy, £59 firsts, and £58 5/- per ton seconds, in barrels. SEED OILS—Liverpool makes of cottonseed unaltered at 46/- common edible, and 48/- per cwt. deodorised net naked ex mills, and business rather quiet. Linseed oil steady; raw on spot in barrels 43/6 per cwt. ROSIN slow; American values 13/3, common, up to 17/- per cwt. WW on spot. WOOD OIL—Hankow firm; spot and forward sellers 98/- per cwt. barrels. TURPENTINE quiet; 73/- per cwt. for spot American. PETROLEUM oil steady; American on spot quoted 1/- to 1/1 per gallon in barrels. NITRATE OF SODA steady but quiet spot; sellers £13 5/- to £13 10/- per ton, as in quality, in single bags.

LONDON, Saturday.—SUGAR—British refined remained unaltered; imported white Java spot 57/3, Mauritius crystals spot 57/3, Czecho granulated 38/-, do. December sold 29/4½, January-March 28/10½ f.o.b. Hamburg. Terminal market easier; white March sold 28/-, May 27/10½ to 27/7½ per cwt. COFFEE Market remains very firm; only limited supplies available. SPICE—Pepper steady, but quiet; black Singapore January-March L.S. 4 9-16d., Lampong do. 4¼d. Muntok January-March 6¼d., March-May 7d. per lb. TAPIOCA moved off quietly at about late rates. Sago flour—January-March 15/7½. Desiccated cocoanut steady; fine cut spot 42/3, medium 42/6, halves January-February 42/- per cwt. Zanzibar cloves quiet; November-January sellers 1/3½ per lb. RICE—Market firm; two stars Rangoon spot 16/6, afloat 15/9, December 15/6 per cwt. Japanese peas unaltered. JUTE—Market firmer, with a moderate business passing; first grade to Continent December-January sold £25 15/-, and buyers, January-February £26 to £26 2/6 and value, February-March buyers £27 per ton; lightning grades unaltered. HEMP—Manila fully steady; J grade January-March sold £33 15/-, K buyers £27 10/-, L £26 10/-, M £24 paid per ton. SHELLAC quiet; T.N. spot 305/-, December 290/-, March 292/6 per cwt. COPRA firmer; F.M.S. Straits to Rotterdam October-December buyers £29 15/-, November-January sold at £29 7/6, January-March quoted £28 15/-. Ceylon December-January £29 7/6, Cebu £29, South Sea £28 10/-. Palm Kernels dearer; to Liverpool January-March buyers £20 per ton. RUBBER quiet, and late rates not generally maintained; plantation standard crepe and sheet spot, also December, sold at 1/1½, January 1/2, January-March 1/2¼, April-June 1/2⅞ per lb. Wild sorts unaltered. OILS—Linseed quiet; spot 43/3, January-April 38/9, May-August 35/9. Chinawood—Hankow spot 93/6, December-January 95/-. Rape, cotton, cocoanut, and turpentine quiet, unaltered. OILSEEDS—Linseed quiet, but held for full rates; Calcutta afloat sellers £23 7/6, December £22 15/-, April-May £19 7/6, Plate December £20 5/-, December-January £18, January-February £17 6/3. Rapeseed steady; real bold Ferozepore, also Toria, December-January quoted £19, Jamba £14 15/-. Cottonseed dull; Egyptian black December nominally £13 7/6, white do. Hull quoted £12 5/-. Bombay January-February £10 per ton. Gingelly and castor unaltered.

OILCAKES AND FEEDING STUFFS, London, Saturday.—Linseed Cakes—With no increase in supplies and no pressure to sell prices remain practically unchanged. Best London made pure offered at from £13 10/- to £13 15/- on rail. Foreign makes are scarce; Plates just arriving selling at £12 10/- to £12 17/6 ex ship, and other makes are on about the same level. Cotton Cakes were in less demand, and prices a shade easier. Best London made from Egyptian seed quoted £7 8/9 to £7 11/3, and a few from Bombay seed are dearer at £7 3/9 per ton ex mill. Egyptian made in bags now offer at £7 2/6 to £7 3/9 ex ship on passage and Dec. shipments. Decorticated Cotton Meal—With very short supplies and only for Dec.-Jan. shipments, prices are firmly held at £12 12/6 ex ship, there being nothing offering for nearer delivery. Coconut Cakes in very short supply. London makes quoted £9 5/- to £9 7/6 on rail, with foreign makes obtainable at £8 15/- to £9 per ton ex quay. Groundnut Cakes—Prices steady, but inquiries limited; undecorticated offering at £8, and partly decorticated at £10 15/- per ton on rail. Milling Offals steady at the recent decline; middlings 8/-, and bran 7/- per cwt.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR, Saturday.—No imports expected till New Year. Several refineries closed down. Melted this week 3,350 tons, compared with 5,018 last year; raw stock 4,385, compared with 26,357 tons. Fine crystals 60/6, fine granulated 58/6, ordinary 58/-; yellows 54/- to 56/-. Market closes quiet. Yellows in short supply and firm.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LEICESTER WOOL, Saturday.—Prices of wool remain firm, with English in small supply. Yarns are hardening, and in moderate demand. The hosiery trade is fairly good, and a large number of small orders have come in during the week. The shipping trade is fair.

LIVERPOOL COTTON (Closing), Saturday.—American market dull. Brazilian quotations reduced 44 points. East Indian quotations reduced 22 points. Egyptian in limited demand. Dec. 19,44d., Jan. 19,41d., Feb. 19,40d., March 19,40d., April 19,31d., May 19,28d. Sales, 5,000; imports, 15,583 bales. Market barely steady.

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PERCY A. HAY, Secretary.
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W. D. SCOTT,
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Ministry of Finance, Belfast.
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LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE BEQUESTS.
In the Goods of
LADY CAROLINE LOUISA MARY HOWARD, late of Wingfield, Bray, in the County of Wicklow, Spinster, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 30th and 31st Vict. c. 54, that the above-named Lady Caroline Louisa Mary Howard, who died on the 23rd of May, 1923, by a Codicil, dated the 16th of May, 1923, to her Will bequeathed:—

To the Representative Church Body of Ireland, for the upkeep of the Parish Church of Kilbride, Bray, the sum of £200

To the Representative Church Body of Ireland, for the upkeep of the Parish Church of Kilbride, Ferrybank, Arklow, the sum of £200

Probate of the Will, dated the 20th of December 1922 with said Codicil, was granted on the 24th of August, 1923, forth of the Principal Registry (Probate) of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann, to the Right Honorable the Earl of Wicklow, the sole Executor.

Dated this 13th day of December, 1923.

H. and W. STANLEY, Solicitors for Executor, 59 Dawson street, Dublin.

To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests and all other persons concerned.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
THOMAS JONES NOWLAN, late of Trudder Grange, Newtownmountkennedy, in the County of Wicklow, and formerly of 16 Clarinda Park, East, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, Esquire, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statutes 22 and 23 Vict., cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors or otherwise having any claims or demands against the estate of the above-named Deceased, who died on the 26th day of October, 1923, are required, on or before the 14th day of January, 1924, to furnish (in writing) the particulars of such claims or demands to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executors, to whom Probate was granted forth of the Principal Registry (Probate) of the High Court of Justice in Saorstat Eireann on the 13th day of December, 1923.

And Notice is hereby further given that after the said 14th day of January, 1924, the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the Deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to such claims and demands, particulars of which shall have been given as hereby required.

Dated this 14th day of December, 1923.

R. NORMAN POTTERTON, Solicitor for Executors, [illegible] Wicklow street, Dublin.

RE
ANNE MARTIN, late of Muckno street, Castleblayney, in the County of Monaghan, Widow, Deceased.

Take Notice that on the expiration of eight days from the date hereof I will apply to the proper officer of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann, King's Bench Division (Probate) for Probate of the Will of the above-named Deceased, who died on the 3rd day of February, 1919, unless a Caveat thereto has been duly entered thereto within the aforesaid eight days.

Dated this 15th day of December, 1923.

JOHN GILLESPIE, Solicitor for the Executor, 12 Molesworth street, Dublin.

IN THE GOODS OF
MICHAEL JACOB, late of Allenwood, Co. Kildare, Farmer, Deceased.

Take Notice that on the expiration of 8 days from the date hereof I shall apply to the proper officer of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann (Probate), for a grant of probate of the Will of above Deceased, who died on the 9th July, 1921, on behalf of Joseph Jacob, of Allenwood, aforesaid, the lawful son and legatee, unless a Caveat has been duly entered within the aforesaid 8 days.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1923.

WILLIAM A. LANPHIER, Solicitor, Naas, Co. Kildare.

JOHN J. SULLIVAN, late of 44 Lansdowne road, Dublin, Deceased.

All persons having any claims [illegible] the above Deceased, furnish full particulars to undersigned.

J. W. DAVIS, Solicitor for Executrix, 10 Fleet street.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.
KING'S BENCH DIVISION—IN BANKRUPTCY.

PATRICK JOSEPH McANDREW, of 28 Highfield road, Rathgar, in the County of Dublin, Consulting Engineer, was on the 10th day of December, 1923, adjudged Bankrupt.

Public Sittings will be held before the Court at the Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin, on Friday, the 18th day of January, 1924, and on Friday, the 1st day of February, 1924, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon, whereat the Bankrupt is to attend, and to make a full disclosure and discovery of his estate and effects. Creditors may prove their debts, and at the first sitting choose a Creditor's Assignee. At the last sitting the Bankrupt is required to finish his examination.

All persons having in their possession any property of the Bankrupt should deliver it, and all debts due to the Bankrupt should be paid to A. G. Hollinshead, Official Assignee, Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin, to whom creditors may forward their affidavits of debt.

W. A. T. COBBE, 2nd Assistant.
C. J. RUTHERFOORD, Solicitor, Bank of Ireland, College Green, Dublin.

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